

Draft Minutes Detroit Board of Police Commissioners
Date of Meeting: Thursday, October 6, 2022 – 3:00 PM
Location: Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third St., Detroit, Michigan 48226

- I. **Chairperson Bryan Ferguson called the BOPC Board Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.**
- II. **Invocation.** Commander Chaplain Darren Penson provided the invocation.
- III. **Introduction of Police Commissioners. A roll call was held, and a quorum was declared.**

Detroit Board of Police Commissioners' Membership / Attendance		
	Attend	Not-Attend
Bryan Ferguson, Chairperson	Yes	
Annie Holt	Yes	
Linda D. Bernard, Esq.	Yes	
Cedric Banks	Yes	
Willie E. Bell	Yes	
Willie E. Burton	Yes	
Lisa Carter	Yes	
Ricardo Moore	Yes	
Jesus Hernandez	Yes	
Rev. Jim Holley, PhD.	Yes	
QuanTez Pressley	Yes	
Quorum (Yes)	11	

- IV. **Chief of Police Report: Chief of Police's Summary of CompStat Data and other Crime Information/DPD Information:** Chief of Police James E. White reported on current CompStat Crime/Statistical Data for Violent Crime and Property; COVID-19 impacts; and recent critical incidents impacting the DPD and the community. As part of his remarks, Chief White also provided critical updates on the recent officer-involved shooting at Lyndon and Snowden. An independent investigation is being conducted by the Department's Homicide Task Force, which includes the Michigan State Police (MSP). The Wayne County Prosecutor's Office will then conduct an independent review. Additionally, the Department will conduct an exhaustive investigation in conjunction with the Homicide Task Force Investigation and Chief White's final evaluation. In addition, Chief White discussed the Department's plans for improving its policies and procedures regarding managing with police-run special populations. See the attached Meeting Transcripts and DPD Crime Reports for more information, which is also posted to the Board's webpage.

During the discussion of the recent officer-involved shooting, Commissioners posed questions and provided comments, including policy recommendations and requests for the Department to respond. According to Commissioner Moore, the Department should consider nets as intermediate weapons and conduct more community education on the Use of Force Continuum. Commissioner Carter requested weekly data about how many police runs the Department receives regarding mental health concerns. To provide policy recommendations regarding DPD response to police runs involving mentally ill special populations, Commissioner Bell requested that the Board review and evaluate DPD policy. Commissioner Bernard asked whether the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office is also investigating this matter, and she discussed that 38 shots were fired and the impact associated. Chief White however confirmed that 32 shots were fired and 15 wounds were sustained during this incident. Commissioner Burton asked whether the video and audio will be available for the Commissioners to review in a closed-door session at a later date and time.

- V. **Chairperson Ferguson** called to approve the Agenda for Thursday, October 6, 2022. The motion was accepted and adopted.
- VI. **Chairperson Ferguson** called for any corrections to the Meeting Minutes for September 29, 2022. The minutes were adopted as presented.
- VII. **Introductions of Board administrative and investigative staff, Chief of Police, Elected Officials or Representatives.**

VIII. **Chair's Report. Chairperson Ferguson** reported on BOPC Activities, updates, and reports for the Board and the community's awareness. A copy of the report will be placed on file.

IX. **Resolution.**

Commissioner Pressley read the resolution honoring Sergeant David W. Babcock.

**RESOLUTION HONORING
SERGEANT DAVID W. BABCOCK**

WHEREAS David Babcock was appointed to the Detroit Police Department on August 18, 1969. Upon graduating from the Detroit Metropolitan Police Academy, Officer Babcock began his career at the Second Precinct Patrol Operations Section; and

WHEREAS Officer Babcock's assignments with the Detroit Police Department included the Second Precinct, Aviation Section, Seventh Precinct, and Crime Laboratory Section; and

WHEREAS Officer Babcock displayed tremendous knowledge and leadership skills and earned promotion to the rank of Sergeant on December 22, 1999. As Sergeant, he was reassigned to the Crime Laboratory Section. Sergeant Babcock's last assignment was Crime Scene Services, where he served until his retirement; and

WHEREAS Sergeant Babcock was the deserving recipient of the following awards: Chief's Unit Award, Life Saving Award, three Departmental Citation Awards, five Chief's Merit Awards, Six Citation Awards, both Consent Judgment Awards, the Ford Fireworks Award, the Major League Baseball All-Star Recognition Award, the Rosa Parks Funeral Recognition Award, and the Super Bowl XL Recognition Award. He also received numerous letters of commendation from citizens and superiors; and

WHEREAS These many accolades are only part of a remarkable testament to Sergeant Babcock's outstanding and steadfast performance throughout a career that spanned six decades. During changes in law enforcement and society, Sergeant Babcock tirelessly served the Detroit Police Department, the citizens of Detroit and its neighboring communities for 53 years. He has served the Detroit Police Department and the citizens of the City of Detroit with loyalty, professionalism, integrity and dedication, and is widely respected throughout the law enforcement community as the consummate professional.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking on behalf of the citizens of the great City of Detroit, recognizes and honors the lifelong contributions and commitment to excellence in public service of Sergeant David Babcock. His display of courage and unwavering community spirit has improved the quality of life for the citizens of Detroit. We wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

We thank and congratulate you, Sergeant David W. Babcock.

Commissioner Holley moved adoption of a resolution, which was adopted as follows: "*Resolved*, That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of the great City of Detroit, recognizes and honors the lifelong contributions and commitment to excellence in public service of Sergeant David Babcock. His display of courage and unwavering community spirit has improved the quality of life for the citizens of Detroit. We wish you all the best in your future endeavors."

X. **Oral Communications / Public Comments.**

Ms. Fredia Butler, Ms. Victoria Shah, Ms. Bernice Smith, Minister Eric Blount, Ms. Brenda Hill, Cheryl, and Former Commissioner William Davis offered public comments.

XI. **Presentation to the Board – Risk Management Unit – Captain Dietrich Lever**

A. **Risk Management Unit – Captain Dietrich Lever, Risk Management Unit**, provided a summary of activities regarding the Risk Management Presentation. The purpose of Risk Management is to "reduce risk to the Department members, the Detroit community and to the Department itself." Risk Assessments Statuses YTD are as follows: Completed - 13; In-Progress - 4; Recommended Mitigation Strategies - 13; Temporary Reassignment - 3; PEERS & Meetings Recommended - 7. See the attached Meeting Transcripts and DPD Risk Management PowerPoint Presentation for more information, which is also posted to the Board's webpage.

Commissioners posed several questions. The following questions require follow up from the Board and the Department: **Commissioner Bell** requested a survey to impact DPD customer service regarding demeanor. **Commissioner Carter** suggested a QR Code be added to tickets, which would allow citizens to complete a survey regarding treatment during officer-citizen encounter.

XII. Report from Interim Board Secretary Melanie White/Communications Submitted to BOPC as incoming information:

1. Weekly DPD Facial Recognition Technology Report 9/26/22 – 10/2/22
2. DPD ShotSpotter Report 9/26/22 – 10/2/22
3. Project Green Light Report 10/3/22
4. Staff Reports – Including Board of Police Commissioners Policy Presentation September 2022; Board of Police Commissioners Clarification Regarding Formatting of BOPC Meeting Minutes; BOPC Committees FY 2022-23 Revised 10/06/2022; “Withdrawing a Motion and Bring Back Motions Handout”; 205.11 Officer-Involved Shooting Investigation August 2022 Resubmission; 205.11 Officer Involved Shooting Investigation Approved; Youth Advisory Panel Update; and OCI CCR Weekly Report

Vice Chair Holt and **Community Relations Coordinator Teresa Blossom** shared updates regarding the BOPC’s Youth Advisory Panel Updates.

Dr. Frances Jackson, RN, PRP, Board Parliamentarian, provided a summary of the “Bring Back Motions” Handout.

XIII. Unfinished Business.

XIV. New Business.

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Bernard to “expunge the language related to NACOLE and/or Board Members from the motion for the adoption by this Board of the Harassment Policy articulated by the City of Detroit Personnel Department.”

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Bernard to “postpone the motion to expunge to next week’s meeting when the minutes in question are available for everyone to review which will identify the area to be expunged.”

Motion: Chairperson Ferguson asked for unanimous consent to “postpone the motion to expunge for two weeks.”

Motion Result: Adopted

Commissioner Holley requested “the Board of Police Commissioners contact the CEO and President of Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network (DWIHN) to make a presentation to this Board in terms of where we are in the city of Detroit and Wayne County with mental health services.”

Motion: It was moved by Vice Chairperson Holt and seconded “to rescind the motion previously adopted for Ms. Victoria Shah to provide a 20-minute presentation in three weeks.” After debate, the motion was adopted.

Yes Votes: Chairperson Ferguson, Vice Chairperson Holt, Commissioners Holley, Pressley, Banks, Bell, and Carter

No Votes: Commissioners Bernard, Burton, and Moore

Motion Result: Adopted

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Holley and seconded that Ms. Shah will give a 30-minute presentation at the January meeting of the BOPC. After debate and amendment, the following motion was voted on: That Ms. Shah give a 40-minute presentation at the January training of the BOPC. Motion adopted.

Yes Votes: Chairperson Ferguson, Commissioners Holley, Hernandez, Banks, Bernard, Burton, and Moore

No Votes: Vice Chairperson Holt and Commissioner Pressley

Motion Result: Adopted

XV. Announcements.

Mr. Robert Brown announced the following:

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 13, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., at Detroit Edison Public School Academy, 1903 Wilkins St., Detroit, MI 48207.

Next Community Meeting: Thursday, November 10, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., at Citadel of Praise, 20280 Lyndon St., Detroit, MI 48223.

Monthly Committee Meetings' Schedule for October 2022 – Every 2nd Wednesday

Budget Committee Meeting	Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.
Personnel & Training Committee Meeting	Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.
Citizen Complaints Committee Meeting	Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.
Policy Committee Meeting	Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at 3:30 p.m.

All Committee Meetings will take place in the Detroit Public Safety Headquarters

XVI. Adjournment.

Chairperson Ferguson adjourned the meeting at 5:46 p.m.