

Approved Minutes Detroit Board of Police Commissioners
Date of Meeting: Thursday, January 19, 2023 – 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.** Chaplain Diane Oliver Hairston 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		
	In Attendance	Not-In Attendance
Bryan Ferguson, Chairperson	Yes	
Annie Holt	Yes	
Linda D. Bernard, Esq.	Yes	
Cedric Banks	Yes	
Willie E. Bell		Excused
Willie E. Burton	Yes	
Lisa Carter	Yes	
Ricardo Moore		Excused
Jesus Hernandez	Yes	
Rev. Jim Holley, PhD.	Yes	
QuanTez Pressley		Excused
Quorum (Yes)	8	

- IV. **Chairperson Ferguson** requested the approval of the Agenda for Thursday, January 19, 2023. The motion was accepted and adopted.
- V. **Chairperson Ferguson** requested the approval of the Meeting Minutes for January 12, 2023, with any corrections. The minutes were adopted as presented.
- VI. **Introductions of Board administrative and investigative staff, the Chief of Police, Elected Officials or Representatives.**
- VII. **Chair's Report.** **Chairperson Ferguson** reported on BOPC and DPD activities and provided updates, and reports for the Board and the community.
- VIII. **Chief of Police Report: Chief of Police's Summary of CompStat Data and other Crime Information/DPD Information:** **Chief James E. White and Commander Michael Parish** 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.

The following inquiries require responses from the BOPC and/or DPD: **Commissioner Burton** inquired about the officer involved shooting at the Citgo gas station, asked if the Policy subcommittee could receive a copy of the video. Chief White stated he always invites the Board to an officer involved shooting debrief to review all videos. **Commissioner Banks** inquired about crime, hiring of officers, and officers retention. Chief White mentioned there is an uptick in several categories. The department is hiring more officers and retention is moving in the right direction. **Commissioner Bernard** stated in other cities, videos of officer's involved shootings are completely transparent, and they are public information. She also inquired of the ages of the juveniles involved in the uptick of crimes and having a conversation with them while they are in elementary or middle school. Chief White stated that he talks to his colleagues around the country about the release of officer involved shooting videos. A video can be released for transparency if there's misinformation in the community. He stated other than officers, there needs to be people that young people can relate to when having these conversations. **Chairperson Ferguson** stated for the record that the chief always invites the Board to all press conferences and to review all videos.

IX. Oral Communications / Public Comments.

Ms. Victoria Shah, Lieutenant Mark Young, Grassroots Detroit, Minister Eric Blount, Overwith, Mr. Scotty Boman, Ms. Brenda Hill, Ms. Loretta Yancey and Ms. Annette provided public comments.

X. Report on Communications Submitted to BOPC as incoming information:

XI. Announcements.

Mr. Robert Brown announced the following:

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 26, 2023, at 3:00 p.m., at Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third St., Detroit, MI 48226.

Next Community Meeting: Thursday, February 9, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., at Ford Resource Engagement Center (FREC), 15491 Maddelein St., Detroit, MI 48205.

Monthly Committee Meetings Schedule for February 2023 – Every 2nd Wednesday

Budget Committee Meeting	Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.
Policy Committee Meeting	Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.
Citizen Complaints Committee Meeting	Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 3:30 p.m.
Personnel & Training Committee Meeting	Wednesday, February 10, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

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

XII. Unfinished Business.

Commissioner Hernandez reported from the Personnel & Training Committee the hiring timeline for the Secretary to the Board and the Chief Investigator positions.

XIII. New Business.

XIV. Adjournment.

Chairperson Ferguson adjourned the meeting at 4:29 p.m.