

Draft Minutes Detroit Board of Police Commissioners
Date of Meeting: Thursday, June 27, 2024 – 3:00 PM
Location: Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third Street, Detroit, Michigan 48226

I. Chairperson QuanTez Pressley called the BOPC Board Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

II. Invocation. Commander Chaplain Stanley Mobley provided the invocation.

Chairperson Pressley requested a moment of silence in honor of the deceased Oakland County Sheriff Deputy.

III. Report from Acting Board Secretary Robert Brown / Communications Submitted to BOPC as incoming information:

A. OCI Weekly Inventory Report 06152024_06212024

IV. Announcements.

Acting Board Secretary Robert Brown announced the following:

Next Community Meeting: Thursday, July 11, 2024 at 6:30 p.m., hosted by the 6th Precinct to be held at the Citadel of Praise, 20280 Lyndon St., Detroit, MI 48223.

Next Community Meeting: Thursday, August 8, 2024 at 6:30 p.m., hosted by the 5th Precinct to be held at WCCCD Eastern Campus, 5901 Conner St., Detroit, MI 48213.

V. 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
QuanTez Pressley, Chairperson	Yes	
Tamara Liberty Smith, Vice Chairperson	Yes	
Linda D. Bernard, Esq.	Yes	
Cedric Banks		Excused
Willie E. Bell	Yes	
Willie E. Burton	Yes	
Lisa Carter		Excused
Ricardo Moore		Excused
Jesus Hernandez	Yes	
Darryl Woods	Yes	
Quorum (Yes)	7	

VI. Chairperson Pressley requested the approval of the Agenda for Thursday, June 27, 2024. The motion was accepted and adopted.

VII. Chairperson Pressley requested the approval of the Meeting Minutes for June 13, 2024. The minutes were adopted. Chairperson Pressley requested the approval of Meeting Minutes for June 20, 2024. The minutes were adopted.

VIII. Introductions of Board administrative and investigative staff, the Chief of Police, Elected Officials or Representatives and Community Leaders.

IX. BOPC Officers' Report.

A. Resolution.

Chairperson Pressley read the resolution honoring Lieutenant Jamie McCrae (Retirement).

**RESOLUTION HONORING
Lieutenant Jamie McCrae**

- WHEREAS** On January 27, 1986, Jamie McCrae was appointed to the Detroit Police Department. Upon graduating from the Detroit Metropolitan Police Academy, Officer McCrae began his career at the Eighth Precinct; and
- WHEREAS** Officer McCrae demonstrated diligence and leadership in his assignments at the Eighth Precinct for nine years. On October 3, 1995, he earned promotion to the rank of Sergeant and served in the Crimes Against Property Unit and at the First Precinct; and
- WHEREAS** Sergeant McCrae continued to show excellence in the performance of his public safety duties along with a commitment to the mission of the Detroit Police Department and the profession of law enforcement. On January 22, 1999, Sergeant McCrae was promoted to Lieutenant, taking on and excelling during assignments to the Central District and First Precinct and his current assignment in the Seventh Precinct; and
- WHEREAS** Lieutenant McCrae possessed a tremendous devotion to duty and received numerous honors and commendations. His awards include both Consent Judgment Awards, the 2014 Ford Fireworks Award, the 2006 Super Bowl XL Recognition Award, the 2005 Major League Baseball All-Star Recognition Award, the 2005 Rosa Parks Funeral Recognition Award, and numerous letters of commendation from residents and superiors; and
- WHEREAS** Such accolades are only part of a testament to Lieutenant McCrae's outstanding and steadfast performance in serving the Detroit Police Department, the people of Detroit, and city visitors and stakeholders since 1986. As he embarks upon retirement on July 8, 2024, Lieutenant McCrae is saluted for his loyalty, integrity, selfless public service and other qualities that have made him widely respected throughout law enforcement and the Detroit community as a consummate professional.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That the Board of Police Commissioners, speaking on behalf of the residents of the great City of Detroit, recognizes Lieutenant Jamie McCrae and his 38 years of dedicated public service in law enforcement. The Board extends sincere appreciation for his unwavering professional service spanning over decades from Police Officer to Lieutenant and wishes him the best in all future endeavors.

We thank and salute you, Lieutenant Jamie McCrae.

Commissioner Bernard moved, "that the Board of Police Commissioners adopt this resolution into our archives. The motion was adopted.

B. **Commissioner Hernandez** moved, "that the Board go into Closed Session pursuant to Section (8a) of the Open Meeting Act, MCL 15268(a) regarding OCI Investigator Salary Range \$62,000 - \$80,000." (Time 3:15 p.m.) The motion passed.

Reconvene Open Meeting (3:26 p.m.)

Commissioner Hernandez moved "that the Board approve the OCI Investigator Salary Range \$62,000 - \$80,000." The motion passed.

X. Chief of Police Report.

Chief of Police James White reported on current CompStat Crime/Statistical Data for Violent Crime and Property and recent critical incidents impacting the DPD and the community. Chief White discussed the success of the Fireworks event and the report of closing parks early before the fireworks. Mr. Sherman Anderson was introduced from the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI).

The following inquiries require responses from the BOPC and/or DPD:

Commissioner Bernard: The fact that Detroiters were barred from the riverfront was very disturbing to me. I appreciate what you said about the curfew on the parks, as you and I both know change depending on the circumstances. I didn't see any curfew enforcement during the Draft.

Chief White: We have to be responsible, if we opened up every viewing area in this city and we had a mass shooting, we would be asked, Chief, what is your security plan? The NFL paid for an area downtown in the footprint and provided security. They also provided additional resources, including security provisions, cameras, drones, all the things that we needed to make our community safe. To compare the parks and the fireworks to the NFL Draft is not a fair comparison. We have to provide security in all viewing areas, the parks or the areas are open to watch, including on Jefferson, including in neighborhoods, including on portions of the river walk and all the areas downtown, including Spirit Plaza. We have to provide a layer of safety. I stand firmly behind our decisions to allow the parks to close like in times past early enough, where we can put the appropriate security provisions.

Commissioner Woods: Are you aware of the incident with the legal monitors that were referenced in Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib inquiry with us. This is not only our concern, it is Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib concern and we have been bombarded with calls and people asking about this particular situation in terms of legal monitors issued tickets.

Chief White: We're looking at all of it, if they were within policy. If the tickets were warranted, then they will remain in the court process. If they were not warranted it will be part of the investigation. We will make the appropriate recommendations to the court to remedy the tickets. I do want to make it clear. We do have a very strict policy on observers, attorneys, green hats to identify themselves as an observer. But if they are engaging in illegal conduct, or illegal behavior, or disruptive actions they will be issued tickets, or engaged, as any other person. But that action of just being there during someone else's conversation does not necessitate that we issue a ticket. So we are going to look at everything we are going to be transparent. If there's any impropriety on our part, we are going to hold the officers accountable, but I don't want people to think, because they have a green hat, that they are not subject to any other issues, as any other citizen who is not peacefully protesting would be. We support peaceful protests, and we will continue to support peaceful protests, but we will not allow people to engage in disorderly conduct, disruptive behavior, or assaults against community or police.

Commissioner Woods: I want to applaud you for your leadership in terms of the budget was passed and that the Public Safety Trust Fund was passed and that's bringing \$75 million dollars to the State, which, millions of dollars will come to the City of Detroit, not only for policing, but also for CVI groups. Which about \$25 million dollars would go there to be able to help with community-based organizations. I appreciate the fact that you referenced the CVI groups in terms of being able to work with law enforcement. They helped reduce some of the violence in this city, thank you for your leadership. \$75 million dollars is very significant in that Public Safety Trust Fund that will be funded in perpetuity.

Appointment to the Rank of Captain. Commissioner Bernard moved, "that the Board of Police Commissioners adopt the Chief's recommendation to appoint Lieutenant Sederick Dunbar to the rank of Captain." The motion passed.

XI. Oral Communication / Public Comments.

Ms. Chamita Williams, Minister Eric Blount, Ms. Fredia Butler, Ms. Tonya Wells, Ms. Bernice Smith, Former Commissioner William Davis, Steven Hawring, and Ms. Victoria Shah provided public comments.

XII. Presentation to the Board – Human Resource Bureau – Director Katrina Patillo, Director of Police Personnel

A. Personnel & Human Resource Bureau – Director Katrina Patillo provided a summary of activities and statistical data during the month of May 2024. See the attached Meeting Transcripts and DPD HR Report for more information, which are also posted to the Board's webpage.

XIII. Unfinished Business.

A. Commissioner Hernandez moved, "that the Board approve the BOPC Organizational Chart." The motion passed.

XIV. New Business.

A. Policy Committee Memorandum. Commissioner Bernard provided key updates from the committee meeting held June 25, 2024.

B. Commissioner Bernard moved, “that the Board suspend next week meeting due to the July 4th Holiday, with our next meeting to be held Thursday, July 11, 2024.” The motion passed.

XV. Adjournment.

Chairperson Pressley adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.