

Approved Minutes of Board of Police Commissioners
Date of Meeting: Thursday, November 6, 2025 – 3:00 PM
Location: Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third Street, Detroit, MI 48226

1. **Chair Dewaelsche** called the BOPC Board Meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. A quorum was declared.

A. **Invocation.** Commander Chaplain Hettie Grady provided the invocation.

2. **Oral Communication / Public Comments:** Mr. Avi Rachlin provided public comments.

3. **Introduction of Police Commissioners.**

Detroit Board of Police Commissioners' Membership / Attendance		
	In Attendance	Not-In Attendance
Eva Garza Dewaelsche, Chair	Yes	
Darryl Woods, Vice Chair	Yes	
Tamara Liberty Smith	Yes	
Linda D. Bernard, Esq.	Yes	
Cedric Banks		Excused
Willie E. Bell	Yes	
Willie E. Burton		Excused
Lisa Carter	Yes	
Ricardo Moore	Yes	
Robert Jones	Yes	
Quorum (Yes)	8	2

4. **Chair Dewaelsche** requested the approval of the Agenda for Thursday, November 6, 2025. The motion was accepted and adopted.
5. **Chair Dewaelsche** requested the approval of the Meeting Minutes for October 23, 2025. The minutes were adopted as presented.
6. **Introduction of Board administrative and investigative staff, the Chief of Police, Elected Officials or Representatives and Community Leaders.**
7. **BOPC Officers' Report – Chair Dewaelsche.**
8. **Chief of Police Report.**

Assistant Chief Charles Fitzgerald reported on current CompStat Crime/Statistical Data for Violent Crime and Property and recent critical incidents impacting the community. Assistant Chief Fitzgerald reported out on several case closures. On Monday, November 3, 2025, the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office charged a 21 year old male with the homicide of a 15 year old boy that was fatally shot on August 23, 2025. On Wednesday, November 5, 2025, the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office charged an individual in connection with the sexual assault of a 5 year old girl. Over the weekend, the FAST team executed two search warrants that resulted in the arrest of two individuals and a seizure of over 170 grams of cocaine, 30 grams of fentanyl, over a kilo of methamphetamine, 19 ecstasy pills, over a kilo of an inconclusive powdery substance, 3 assault rifles and various packaging and processing materials. Yesterday in the Ninth Precinct, officers seized cocaine, a quarter kilo of fentanyl, 3 firearms and \$1,000 in cash. Over the weekend, every precinct participated in Halloween in the D. Tomorrow, DPD has its graduation class of 2025-I. On Tuesday, November 11, 2025, the Eleventh Precinct will be hosting Veterans Day Chair Yoga. On Friday, November 21, 2025, DPD will be hosting the All Abilities Fair, which is an event for community members in search of services related to special needs, mental health, physical and intellectual disabilities. The event will take place at Detroit Public Safety Headquarters in the Skylar Herbert Room.

Commissioner Moore inquired about the Officer Involved Shooting and the other officers that were present at the incident and whether they will be facing any disciplinary action. **Assistant Chief Fitzgerald** stated that the other officers involved in the incident will be investigated and the Board may see those officers before them down the road.

9. **Oral Communication / Public Comments: continued** – Ms. Bernice Smith, Minister Eric Blount, Mr. Dana Lunn, Ms. Janice Hall, Ms. Victoria Camille, Ms. Charnita Williams, Mr. Rhuben Crowley, Former Commissioner William Davis, Former Commissioner Reginald Crawford, Ms. Taura Brown, Ms. Molly Moening and Mr. Jahdante Smith provided public comments.

10. **Presentations to the Board.**

- A. **CIOGS Report – Mobile Cellular Investigation – Deputy Chief Michael Parish**

Deputy Chief Michael Parish provided an overview of what the CIOGS report is, what it entails and where the Department is in terms of the procurement process for the new technology. Additionally, Deputy Chief Parish presented on the Cell Site Simulator/Cell Phone Truck. The presentation included what the technology does and what it does not do, how it works, and the checks and balances that are in place to ensure it is used legally.

Commissioner Moore inquired if Deputy Chief Parish has ever heard of someone falsifying a search warrant. **Deputy Chief Parish** stated that yes, he has heard of someone falsifying a search warrant. **Commissioner Moore** asked Deputy Chief Parish if he feels comfortable using this technology currently without a policy. **Deputy Chief Parish** stated that the Department has been using it for so long and feel comfortable using it. Additionally, Deputy Chief Parish stated that he understands and appreciates the concern of the community and the Board with not having a policy and will therefore work with the Board to establish a policy. **Commissioner Moore** asked what the current checks and balances without there being a policy. **Deputy Chief Parish** stated that there are internal practices and protocols that are followed and monitored by the commanding officer of the Major Crimes Division. **Commissioner Moore** asked if any research has been done on the opposition of this technology. **Deputy Chief Parish** stated yes he has done online research and didn't find any police agencies that ban this type of technology.

Vice Chair Woods inquired if there is a Standard Operating Procedure pertaining to this technology. **Deputy Chief Parish** stated the Major Crimes Division has an internal protocol for its use. **Vice Chair Woods** inquired if that would be a Standard Operating Procedure. **Deputy Chief Parish** stated yes. **Vice Chair Woods** requested that the Standard Operating Procedure be forwarded to the Board.

Commissioner Bernard motioned that, "the CIOGS report regarding Surveillance Technology Specification Report, the STSR Detroit Police Department Mobile Cellular Investigation (Cell Site Simulator) be adopted for the procurement of technology contingent upon the Board of Police Commissioners approving a policy governing the utilization of such technology prior to its implementation." The motion passed.

11. **Report from Board Secretary Lydia Gamier.**

- A. ALWOP PO Mykel Golden
 - B. ALWOP PO Zachary Melvin
 - C. ALWOP PO Ahmed Aljebori
 - D. 251027 BOPC Facial Recognition Report
 - E. 251027 BOPC Shot Spotter Weekly Report
 - F. 251103 BOPC Facial Recognition Report
 - G. 251103 BOPC Shot Spotter Weekly Report
 - H. Policy Committee Memorandum
 - I. Announcements

Next Board Meeting (Community Meeting): Thursday, November 13, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. in the 2nd Precinct at Adams-Butzel Recreation Center, 10500 Lyndon Street, Detroit, MI 48238

December Community Meeting: Thursday, December 11, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at WCCCD Curtis Ivery Campus, 1001 West Fort Street, Detroit, MI 48226

Next Committee Meetings: All Committee Meetings are held at DPSH, 1301 Third Street, Detroit, MI 48226
Budget Committee, Tuesday, November 18, 2025 @ 4:00 p.m.
Policy Committee, Tuesday, November 18, 2025 @ 5:00 p.m.

12. Unfinished Business.

- A. Closed Session pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(a), the Department's Request for the Board to Consider Administrative Leave Without Pay but with Medical Benefits for Police Officer Ali Dakhallallah, Badge 4388, Assigned to the Seventh Precinct. (Reconvene Public Meeting to vote – A 2/3 majority vote required)**

Vice Chair Woods moved that “the Board go into Closed session pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(a), the Department's Request for the Board to Consider Administrative Leave Without Pay but with Medical Benefits for Police Officer Ali Dakhallallah, Badge 4388, Assigned to the Seventh Precinct.” (A 2/3 majority vote required)(Time 4:08 p.m.) The motion passed.

Reconvene Open Meeting (4:38 p.m.)

Vice Chair Woods moved that “the Board accept the Chief's recommendation to change the duty status for Police Officer Ali Dakhallallah, Badge 4388, Assigned to the Seventh Precinct, to Administrative Leave Without Pay but with Medical Benefits.” The motion passed.

YES: 6

NO: 2

MOTION: PASSED

YES: Chair Dewaelsche, Vice Chair Woods, Commissioners Bell, Carter, Jones and Smith

NO: Commissioners Bernard and Moore

13. New Business.

- A. Extension of Special Orders with the Expiration Date of November 9, 2025 until December 9, 2025**

Commissioner Bernard motioned, “By direction of the Policy Committee, I move that the following special orders with the expiration date of November 9, 2025 be extended for 30 days until December 9, 2025.” The motion passed.

Policy Directive 201.11 Use of Force/Detainee Injury Reporting/Investigation

Policy Directive 202.2 Search and Seizure

Policy Directive 203.5 Juveniles and School Incidents

Policy Directive 204.3 Operating While Intoxicated

Policy Directive 305.4 Transportation of Detainees

- B. Chief of Police Todd A. Bettison Recommendation of Pay Increase for Director Katrina Patillo**

Commissioner Bernard motioned “to refer this matter to the Personnel & Training Committee.” The motion passed.

- C. Closed Session pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(a), the Department's Request for the Board to Consider Administrative Leave Without Pay but with Medical Benefits for Police Officer Shane Shaw, Badge 3612, Assigned to the Sixth Precinct. (Reconvene Public Meeting to vote – A 2/3 majority vote required)**

Chair Dewaelsche moved that “the Board go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(a), the Department's Request for the Board to Consider Administrative Leave Without Pay but with Medical Benefits for Police Officer Shane Shaw, Badge 3612, Assigned to the Sixth Precinct. (Reconvene Public Meeting to vote – A 2/3 majority vote required)(Time: 4:52 p.m.) The motion passed.

Reconvene Open Meeting (5:22 p.m.)

Vice Chair Woods moved that “the Board accepts the Chief’s recommendation to change the duty status for Police Officer Shane Shaw, Badge 3612, Assigned to the Sixth Precinct, to Administrative Leave Without Pay but with Medical Benefits.” The motion failed.

YES: 5

NO: 3

MOTION: FAILED

YES: Vice Chair Woods, Commissioners Bell, Carter, Jones and Smith

NO: Chair Dewaelsche, Commissioners Bernard and Moore

- D. Closed Session pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(a), the Department’s Request for the Board to Consider Administrative Leave Without Pay but with Medical Benefits for Police Officer Zachary Melvin, Badge 3423, Assigned to the Eleventh Precinct. (Reconvene Public Meeting to vote – A 2/3 majority vote required)**

Commissioner Moore moved that “the Board go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(a), the Department’s Request for the Board to Consider Administrative Leave Without Pay but with Medical Benefits for Police Officer Zachary Melvin, Badge 3423, Assigned to the Eleventh Precinct. (Reconvene Public Meeting to vote – A 2/3 majority vote required)(Time 5:28 p.m.)

Reconvene Open Meeting (6:12 p.m.)

Vice Chair Woods moved that “the Board accepts the Chief’s recommendation to change the duty status for Police Officer Zachary Melvin, Badge 3423, Assigned to the Eleventh Precinct, to Administrative Leave Without Pay but with Medical Benefits.” The motion passed.

YES: 7

NO: 1

MOTION: PASSED

YES: Chair Dewaelsche, Vice Chair Woods, Commissioners Bell, Carter, Jones, Moore and Smith

NO: Commissioner Bernard

- E. Commissioner Moore** motioned that “the Policy Committee create a policy that requires that following any Officer Involved Shooting and Critical Incidents a deputy chief or above review all necessary video within 3 hours.” The motion passed.

14. Adjournment.

Chair Dewaelsche adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.