

Public Safety & Community Relations Board
Wayman AME Church, 803 W. Olive St., Bloomington, IL 61701
Wednesday, October 9, 2019; 3:30 pm

1. Call to Order

The meeting was convened at 3:30 pm by Chairman Arthur Taylor.

2. Roll Call

Mr. Taylor called the roll. Member Woodard was absent. All other members were present.
Staff present: Assistant Chief Chad Wamsley, City Attorney Greg Moredock

3. Public Comment

None.

4. Consideration of Approving Meeting Minutes

Member Lancaster made a motion to approve the 9/11/19 Regular Meeting minutes, seconded by Member Fish. Motion passed unopposed.

Member Fish noted that some comments at the Quarterly Meeting were timely. Comments are included in the record but are not included in the meeting minutes. Member Fish believed that looking into mental health issues on a regular schedule is a good idea.

Member Rudolph moved to amend the 9/18/19 minutes to include the comments from the two individuals who discussed mental health issues. Member Lancaster seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

5. Discussion of Complaints Received

BPD has received eight complaints for the year; two of which are still open/pending. The PSCRB has not received any for the year. The prior case that was mentioned as possibly being appealed was closed approximately 40 days ago. No appeal was filed.

Member Bennett inquired as to whether individuals get a complaint form with the closing letter. The closing letter does not include a complaint form, but does provide the steps the individual needs to take to appeal to the PSCRB. The Board will review a sample closing letter at the next meeting to see if a complaint form should be included.

6. Discussion of Future Meeting Dates, Times, Locations, and Topics

Member Lancaster asked why an officer was terminated, but no discussion as had because it is an ongoing personnel matter. Under the Board's charge, no review would come before the Board without a formal complaint to the Police Department.

Chairman Taylor requested the Board to complete a review of the Board's charge at the next meeting with the goal of having a full discussion of the Rules at the Quarterly Meeting in December. Nora will provide the City Council Resolution, Approved Board Rules and Brochures. Chief will produce a generic version of the closing letter and citizens complaint form. The Board will provide a wellness program update and updates on Police Department applicants at the next Quarterly Meeting.

The Board also discussed having a Bloomington101 type meeting completed early 2020.

The next Regular Meeting will be 11/13/19 at 3:30 at Bloomington City Hall. The December monthly meeting will be 12/18/19 at 5:00 p.m. at City of Refuge and next Quarterly Meeting will be 12/18/19 at 6:00 p.m. at City of Refuge.

7. Adjourn (approximately 4:30 pm)

Member Fish moved to adjourn at 4:16 with the Cardinals leading the Braves 2-0 in the top of the first inning with one out in Game 5 of the NLDS. Member Bosquez seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

Respectfully submitted,
Greg Moredock