

Agenda
Grand Rapids Police Community
Advisory Board
Meeting of March 12th 2020
City Hall Room 2B 3rd Floor
4:30 – 5:30 pm

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call - Introductions
3. Approval of the Minutes November 14, 2019
4. Elections of Officers
5. Public Comment
6. Chad Sterle - Open Meeting Law
7. Board Member Reports

8. Old Business
 - a. 29 Surveys were received out of 150 sent over a 3-month period.
 - b. Story about K-9 Officer Gary O'Brien and Radar.
 - c. Story with Reserve Officer – Investigator Brian Mattson
 - d. Ride-along Continuing?

9. New Business
 - a. Warrant Wednesday
 - b. Time and Dates of meetings for 2020
 - c. Agenda item time line – 1 week before meeting
 - d. Fairgrounds – How and who controls the grounds?
 - e. Volunteer opportunities within the community for 2020
 - f. Patrol for Events for peak Season/ Traffic control

10. Other Business

11. Adjournment

Police Community Advisory Board Meeting

Nov. 14, 2019

Grand Rapids Area Library

4:30 – 5:30 pm

Board Member Wendy Uzelac called the meeting to order at 4:31 pm.

Present: Jackie Dowell, Pam Dowell, Wendy Uzelac, John Nalan, Laurie Turman, Tom Neustrom, Megan Philipps, Scott Johnson, and Jackie Heinrich.

Absent: Gail Adams and Weldon Braxton

Motion made by Pam Dowell seconded by Tom Neustrom to approval of minutes for Sept. 13, 2019.

Public Present: None present

Board Member Reports:

Pam Dowell : Currently working on Interviews. Looking forward to the Investigator interviews.

Megan Phillips: Nothing at this time.

Jackie Dowell: Nothing at this time.

Laura Turman: Nothing at this time.

John Nalan: Nothing at this time.

Tom Neustrom: Leadership Training for current Officers

Wendy Uzelac: Still working on K-9 food through the Coop. Wendy advised this was the last meeting for 2019.

Old Business:

Citizen survey was completed. 150 Surveys were sent out; they were randomly selected in a 3-month period. With a return of 30 of them. The return percentage 20%.
A spreadsheet with the variables will be made and sent with the minutes.

PCAP will present the finding at the City Council meeting anticipated in the first quarter of 2020.

PCAP group would like to continue this survey in the future.

Story of K-9 and Wendy ride – a – long in the paper was a big hit. Wendy stated that she has a deeper appreciation for the Officer and K-9 do.

Discussion took place regarding Advisory Board Members/By-Laws/ attendance

New Business:

PCAB would like to be a part of the Shop with a Hero. Flyer will sent out to all members. Also, discussed having t-shirts made so public knows who they are.

Possible setting up a Fundraiser. With many ideas of what we could use funds for. A Police Officer statue is one idea.

Possible looking into Arts and Culture helping with statue. Will re-address in 2020.

Chief Johnson talked about the New Itasca County Jail – recommendations for the where the jail was to be built. Location was on the South end of the airport.

Truth and Taxation hearings will be held in December.

Bomb Threat – Central School the call came in stating that they had a-bomb and gun in the women’s bathroom. Building was cleared. Nothing was found.

Hibbing no longer offering Training for our Officers. GRPD has developed a plan to make sure our officers are up to date with training.

Enbridge has plans to abandon pipeline 3 from coming through the Grand Rapids area and are making plans to move it south of town. Chief is asking what the PCAB Board members thoughts on Grand Rapids Police Department assisting with Enbridge and possible protestors.

PCAB members all felt that GRPD should not be involved.

John Nalan asked if we could make sure to keep the meetings from going over a hour in future.

Other Business:

No other business at this time.

Board member Wendy Uzelac adjourned the meeting at 5:44pm.

Next meeting: January 9th 2020 - 4:30-5:30 City Hall Rm 2B.

Respectfully submitted: Jackie Heinrich