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POLICE COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Thursday, July 20, 2023
4:00 PM**

The Purpose of the Grand Rapids Police Community Advisory Board (The Board) shall be to establish and enhance communication between Grand Rapids residents, Police Department and City Council. Together, the Advisory Board and Police Department will identify and focus on public safety issues and collaborate with community leaders, community organizations and stakeholders in developing solutions to multi-faceted community concerns. The Board provides recommendations to the Chief of Police and City Council as to how issues should be addressed.

CALL TO ORDER: Pursuant to due notice and call thereof, the Police Community Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 4:00 PM in City Hall Council Chambers at 420 North Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids.

Chair Uzelac called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Board Member Jillian Buck, Board Member Dan Butterfield, Board Member Cassey Casteel, Board Member Kerry Clausen, Board Member Stephen Connolly, Secretary Board Member Pam Dowell, Board Member Tom Neustrom, Board Member Nicolette Powers, and Chair Board Member Wendy Uzelac.

Staff: Chief Andy Morgan, Captain Kevin Ott, and Captain Jeremy Nelson

PUBLIC INPUT (if anyone wishes to address the Board):

No one from the public was present.

SETTING THE AGENDA:

Adding move patrol on Airport and Harris Township Road. Advised to seek out Planning and Zoning to voice concerns.

CORRESPONDENCE:

APPROVE MINUTES:

Approval of the Minutes for July 20, 2023

Motion made by Board Member Butterfield, Seconded by Board Member Dowell approved minutes as presented. Voting Yea: Board Member Buck, Board Member Casteel, Board Member Clausen, Board Member Connolly, Board Member Neustrom, Board Member Roberts and Board Chair Uzelac.

1. Approval of the Minutes for May 18, 2023

BUSINESS:

2. Cassey Casteel and Nicolette Roberts have been selected as new members.

3. Upcoming Community Events

- Northern MN Swap Meet & Car Show: Fri. July 28th - Sun. July 30th

- National Night Out: Tues. Aug. 2, from 5 - 8 p.m.

- Itasca County Fair: Aug. 16 - 20

- River Fest: Sat. Sept. 9th

- PCAB Stand

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Campground has no electric; Construction continues

- National Night Out: Tues. Aug. 2, from 5 - 8 p.m.

Wrong time and date in agenda - should be Aug. 1, 4:30 to 7:30 pm.

Advertising through radio and flyers

1st NW Ave. may be closed for that time.

35 booths

- Itasca County Fair: Aug. 16 - 20

Has been talk of joining Sheriff's department booth

Member stated it would be a good time to meet K9.

- River Fest: Sat. Sept. 9th

Approx. 5000 people to attend

Troops

Search and Rescue

All staff will be working.

-Tall Timber Days first weekend of August, parade goes 6th St. to 3rd and back to fairgrounds.

- PCAB Stand

Email Andy if interested in being part of a booth for PCAB.

4. Police Department Job Posting / Hiring Process

Hiring today, only one applicant may move the closing date.

5. Crime Prevention Door Hanger Program

Restarting program. All board members liked this program.

6. ID Badges

We will be making ID badges with photo for PCAB members to use for events only.

7. DACF - Domestic Animal Control Facility Statistics

There are two scanners, one at the building and CSO carries one in his truck.

UPDATES:

8. Road Construction Update

Traffic is a mess. Asking for more patrol on Airport Rd. Accidents in 2022 were 56 and in 2023 we are at 54, no real change in numbers.

9. Vote on New Vice Chair, motion made for Stephen, all voted in favor, Stephen is the new Vice Chair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING:

Next meeting will be Sept. 21, at 4 pm. Wendy will be out of town, Stephen is Vice Chair.

ADJOURN:

ATTEST:

MEETINGS AND ATTENDANCE

The Board shall meet at minimum, four times each year as determined by the chair. A regular meeting may be cancelled by the chair or a majority of the Board. Every Board member shall be required to attend at least 75% of all meetings each calendar year. Board members who are unable to meet the attendance requirements may be removed by a majority vote of the Board. Prior to a vote considering the potential removal of a member, the member shall be afforded an opportunity to explain his or her reason for non-attendance.

BOARD MEMBERS AND TERM EXPIRATION

Jillian Buck	12/31/2024	Dan Butterfield	12/31/2023
Stephen Connolly	12/31/2023	Cassey Casteel	12/31/2024
Pam Dowell	12/31/2023	Kerry Clausen	12/31/2025
Tom Nuestrom	12/31/2025	Nicolette Roberts	12/31/2024
Wendy Uzelac	12/31/2025		