



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

URBANA CIVILIAN POLICE REVIEW BOARD

DATE: Wednesday, January 28, 2015

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: Urbana City Council Chambers
Urbana City Building
400 South Vine Street
Urbana, Illinois 61801

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Costello, Ricardo Díaz, Scott Dossett, Diane Gottheil, James McNeely, Ivy Williams

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: none

STAFF PRESENT: Todd Rent

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM

- a. Chair Costello called this meeting of the Urbana Civilian Police Review Board to order at 5:33 p.m. Roll was taken. A quorum was present.

2. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

- a. There were none.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Ms. Gottheil made a motion that the draft minutes of the October 22, 2014 meeting be approved as presented. Ms. Williams seconded the motion. Chair Costello called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

4. STAFF REPORT

- a. Mr. Rent presented the quarterly staff report to the Board. Comments and questions from the Board were addressed by Mr. Rent during the course of his presentation.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a. Brian Dolinar addressed the Board. Comments and questions from the Board were addressed by Mr. Dolinar.
- b. Michael Hill addressed the Board. Comments and questions from the Board were addressed by Mr. Hill.

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. TASER Review and Legislative Update

- i.** Mr. Rent introduced this agenda item. The Board discussed the information presented by Mr. Rent. Mr. Rent addressed comments and questions from the Board during the course of his presentation. Discussion shifted briefly to residency requirements for Board members (more specifically, whether or not Board members should be required to reside in the City of Urbana). Comments and questions from the Board regarding this matter were addressed by Mr. Rent. Continuing with the discussion on TASER policy, Mr. Díaz noted that, with regards to the Civilian Police Review Board, the draft TASER review policy had a clause inserted into it which seemed to indicate that the cases of TASER display or discharge would be “batched” into lots of four before they are forwarded to the Civilian Police Review Board. Board members disagreed with this addition, feeling that the public deserved a prompt case-by-case analysis of display and/or discharge. Chair Costello assured the Board that changes could be requested to the foregoing item. It was recommended by the Board that it reconvene in order to discuss a framework of administrative rules regarding due process procedures for the handling of TASER deployment cases. Discussion followed. It was further recommended by the Board that the City Attorney be invited to a future Board meeting in order to clarify the Legal Division’s interpretation(s) of any TASER deployment review process. Discussion followed.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a.** There was none.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a.** Mr. Rent announced that he would be transitioning from the position of Human Relations Officer to Human Resources Manager in the near future.

9. ADJOURNMENT

- a.** With no further business to come before the Board, Chair Costello called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Dossett made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Ms. Gottheil seconded the motion. With no objections, Chair Costello declared the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Weck
Recording Secretary