

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DETROIT BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
COMMUNITY MEETING

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Taken at 15000 Southfield Freeway,
Eighth Precinct,
Bushnell Congregational Church,
Detroit, Michigan, 48223,
Commencing at 6:40 p.m.,
Thursday, May 8th 30, 2014,
Before Elizabeth Koller, CSR-7042.

- 1 APPEARANCES:
- 2 CHAIRPERSON JESSICA TAYLOR
- 3 VICE CHAIRPERSON DONNELL WHITE
- 4 COMMISSIONER RICARDO MOORE
- 5 COMMISSIONER LISA CARTER
- 6 COMMISSIONER WILLIE BURTON
- 7 COMMISSIONER WILLIAM BELL
- 8 COMMISSIONER REGINALD CRAWFORD
- 9 COMMISSIONER RICHARD SHELBY
- 10 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY GEORGE ANTHONY
- 11 DEPUTY CHIEF STEVE DOLUNT

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1 Detroit, Michigan

2 May 8, 2014

3 About 6:40 p.m.

4 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Call the meeting to
5 order at 6:40. I'm Commissioner Jessica Taylor, Chair
6 of the Board of Police Commissioners. I'd ask George
7 Anthony, our Secretary, to call the roll.

8 SECRETARY ANTHONY: Thank you, Madam Chair.
9 For the record, George Anthony, Secretary to the Board.
10 Commissioner Donnell White.

11 (Enroute.)

12 Commissioner Richard Shelby.

13 COMMISSIONER SHELBY: Present.

14 SECRETARY ANTHONY: Commissioner Wendell L.
15 Byrd. I understand he's called in. He's not going to
16 be here tonight.

17 Commissioner Reginald Crawford.

18 COMMISSIONER CRAWFORD: Present.

19 SECRETARY ANTHONY: Commissioner Willy E.
20 Bell.

21 COMMISSIONER BELL: Present.

22 SECRETARY ANTHONY: Commissioner Willy E.
23 Burton, has also called in. He will not be here
24 tonight.

25 Commissioner Lisa Carter.

1 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Present.

2 SECRETARY ANTHONY: Commissioner Ricardo R.
3 Moore.

4 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Present.

5 SECRETARY ANTHONY: Ma'am Chair, you have a
6 quorum.

7 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you, sir. From
8 the Chief's office.

9 D.C. DOLUNT: Deputy Chief Steve Dolunt.

10 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: All right. George, can
11 you call the rest of the staff, please? Introduce the
12 rest of the staff, thank you.

13 SECRETARY ANTHONY: Yes, ma'am. We have
14 present seated at the front, our attorney to the Board
15 Ms. Aliyah Sabree, next to her is Ms. Pamela Davis
16 Drake, our Chief Investigator. Mr. Robert Brown to my
17 left who is our Office Manager, he's seated next to
18 Officer Dan Donakowski who is recording our
19 proceedings, and Ms. Elizabeth Koller from Hanson Court
20 Reporting Service making the transcript. That
21 completes the introduction, ma'am.

22 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you. We're just
23 happy to be here at Bushnell Congregational Church.
24 I'm going to ask Pastor Roy Isaac if he would come
25 forward and give us a word of prayer. I'd like to

1 thank him for having us this evening.

2 PASTOR ISAAC: Good evening, everyone.

3 AUDIENCE: Good evening.

4 PASTOR ISAAC: During everything and before
5 that we begin our meeting with a word of prayer. So
6 let us pray. Our Lord, and our God, we ask for your
7 presence with us tonight as we go about the business of
8 the City of Detroit, so we ask that in all that we do,
9 all that we say, we will be led by your will and your
10 way.

11 So the following, what you would have us to
12 do, we might be the people that you call us to be. We
13 pray eternally asking your blessings, your leadership,
14 and your guidance. Amen.

15 AUDIENCE Amen.

16 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: At this time, I'm going
17 do introduce you to you the Commissioner of this
18 district, Commissioner Richard Shelby. If you would
19 come forward and read the duties and responsibilities
20 of the Commissioners.

21 COMMISSIONER SHELBY: Good evening, everyone.

22 AUDIENCE: Good evening.

23 COMMISSIONER SHELBY: I'm so excited because
24 this is the first time the Board of Police
25 Commissioners other than in Charter is going to be

1 organized. As you know for a little history of it, the
2 old Charter passed in 1974 had five members. Those
3 five members were appointed by the Mayor and approved
4 by City Council. With the Charter revision we had in
5 2011 voted on by the people in 2012, that all changed.

6 We now have eleven Commissioners, four which
7 are appointed by Mayor with approval of the City
8 Council, and we have seven Commissioners that are
9 elected by Districts. I'm the elected official for
10 District 1. My name is Richard Shelby. Let me
11 introduce you to the rest of the Commissioners that's
12 here.

13 Present is Ms. Jessica Taylor. We have
14 Reginald Crawford. We have Ricardo Moore. Reginald
15 Crawford was Commissioner for District 3, Ricardo Moore
16 present for District 7. We have Willie Bell,
17 Commissioner for District 4. We have Lisa Carter,
18 Commissioner for District 6.

19 The duties and responsibilities of the Police
20 Commission. We are the oversight, we are the civilian
21 oversight of the Detroit Police Department. In 1974
22 when this was first enacted by the Honorable Coleman A.
23 Young it was a buffer. It gave the citizens a voice in
24 terms of the Police Department. The Commissioners
25 acted in an advisory capacity.

1 Our duties have somewhat expanded. Our
2 duties are to establish rules and regulations in
3 consultation with the Chief and approval of the Mayor.
4 We approve the budget. We act as the final authority
5 in the disciplinary process. Once an Officer has been
6 disciplined they can appeal to us and we have the final
7 say so in that.

8 And we also prepare an annual report to the
9 Mayor and the City Council. You've met the staff. The
10 Board of Police Commissioners considers itself a
11 liaison between the citizens of Detroit and the Police
12 Department. That's important for you to know because
13 if you have issues and you're not getting the service
14 that you think you should be getting you can come to
15 our Board meeting.

16 And I would invite each and everyone of you
17 to our Board meetings. We have a Board meeting every
18 Thursday, 3:00 at Police Headquarters. You're all
19 invited. All citizens are invited. It's an open
20 meeting. You can come and air your complaints, and we
21 will get back with you and address your complaint.

22 I want to welcome those who came out today.
23 We are your Commissioners and we are here to serve you.
24 Thank you.

25 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you. Before we

1 proceed, I like to introduce Commissioner Donnell
2 White, Vice Chair. He's joined us.

3 VICE CHAIRPERSON WHITE: Thank you.

4 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Okay. All right, thank
5 you, Commissioner. At this time, I'm going to call for
6 a motion to approve the agenda for May 8th, 2014.

7 COMMISSIONER SHELBY: So moved, Madam Chair.

8 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Is there a second?

9 VICE CHAIRPERSON WHITE: Support.

10 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: It's been moved and
11 seconded. Are there any discussions? All in favor?

12 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

13 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: All opposed? Agenda
14 stands approved. I'll call for a motion to approve the
15 minutes for May 1st, 2014.

16 COMMISSIONER: So move.

17 COMMISSIONER: Support.

18 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: It's been moved and
19 seconded. Are there any discussion? All in favor?

20 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

21 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: All opposed? The
22 minutes stand approved as read. At this time we're
23 going to ask for a report from the Chief of Police,
24 from the Office of the Chief.

25 D.C. DOLUNT: Deputy Chief Dolunt on behalf

1 of Chief Craig. I've never done this before so I'm
2 looking through the folder. We did an undercover
3 operation, Cherry Blossom. We had some problems over
4 on Cherry Lawn south of Eight Mile, and we made
5 thirteen felony arrest, and we hit a house looking for
6 a guy, we picked up thirty marijuana plants which was
7 growing, so that was good.

8 So, again, Restore To Order, is a good
9 operation. We do it every month. We have different
10 names. If you have a good name for you neighborhood
11 let us know we may pick it. Our crime is still down in
12 double digits, with the weather it's slowly picking up
13 unfortunately. Homicides go down double digits, armed
14 robbery, home invasions.

15 But if you're a victim to any of those it
16 doesn't make a difference if it goes down in double
17 digits or not. So we're trying the best we can. Also
18 for those you who don't know, Chief Eric Jones will be
19 retiring tomorrow. His coffee and cake is at 2:00 to
20 4:00 at Headquarters. He's got 25 years in. He's
21 going onto bigger and better things.

22 And the Chief is looking to find another
23 Assistant Chief, and he's instituted a competition
24 among the current Deputy Chiefs and Commanders. We're
25 all attacking different problems. One on staffing, one

1 on leadership, and one on policing Officers. It's
2 interesting. So he's given us a task. We develop our
3 team and we're going for it. We'll see who the new
4 Assistant Chief's going to be probably in a couple
5 weeks and see how his questions are answered and
6 hopefully get better for the department.

7 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you, sir. Any
8 questions by the Commissioners? Okay. If not, we'll
9 have a presentation by the Eighth Precinct.

10 CAPTAIN JARVIS: Good evening, everyone.

11 AUDIENCE: Good evening.

12 CAPTAIN JARVIS: Welcome to the Eighth
13 Precinct. I'm Captain Donna Jarvis. I've been at the
14 Eighth Precinct since October. I'm just going to go
15 right into the presentation and tell you we've recently
16 changed our boundaries, so I'm going to go over where
17 our boundaries fall now.

18 The Eighth Precinct encompasses approximately
19 15.26 square miles. Our north border is Eight Mile
20 Road from Five Points to Telegraph. Our east border is
21 Greenfield from Eight Mile to Schoolcraft. Our west
22 boarder is Five Points from Eight Mile to Puritan,
23 Telegraph from Puritan to Six Mile, and Evergreen to
24 Fenkell to Schoolcraft.

25 Our south border is Puritan from Five Points

1 to Telegraph, Fenkell from Telegraph to Evergreen and
2 Schoolcraft from Evergreen to Greenfield. It's easier
3 if you look at the map. Actually, it works very well
4 though because we were able to bring some of the
5 neighborhoods together that were split between Six and
6 Eight and same thing between Eight and Twelve, and Two
7 and Eight. So we've been able to repair some of those
8 issues.

9 The population of the Eighth Precinct is
10 approximately 117,000. The Eighth Precinct is home to
11 the following public schools, three high schools, our
12 Communication and Media Arts, Henry Ford, and Old
13 Redford Academy. We have three middle schools, six
14 elementary schools; and other community assets we have
15 are approximately 200 churches, 400 businesses,
16 including 62 gas stations, and six nursing and senior
17 citizen homes.

18 The Eighth Precinct has undertaken several
19 community initiatives and we continue to present these
20 to our citizens. We have our gun safety program for
21 children. We have Eddy Eagle Gun Safety Program. Also
22 or project Sentry Gun Safety Program which is for fifth
23 through eighth graders. We have our youth programs
24 which includes Cops Read to Kids from pre K elementary
25 school through eight years of age.

1 Our Post 808 Law Enforcement Explorers
2 between the Sixth and Eighth Precinct we have
3 approximately twenty Explorers and we're hoping to grow
4 that this year. We're hoping that we can possibly
5 double that. This year we had a coat drive where we
6 accepted and distributed over 750 gently used coats and
7 cold weather accessories to school-aged children and
8 their family members and that was spearheaded by our
9 neighborhood Police Officers Tonya Owens and the others
10 in the crew. I'll introduce those Officers in just a
11 moment.

12 We had a back-to-school health fair to
13 provide students with healthcare issues, healthcare
14 screenings and haircuts and mobile dentist free of
15 charge at the precinct. Operation Safe Passage which
16 is an early morning special attention to all bus stops
17 and walking routes to get children safely to and from
18 school.

19 And we've also had recently our career day
20 where we provided youth who are not going to college
21 with the opportunity to began a career right after high
22 school with employers whose requirements are accepting
23 of their current level of education experience so that
24 they have something to do if they are not planning to
25 go to college, and that was quite successful.

1 We also have our senior programs which
2 include our Senior Awareness Crime Prevention Programs.
3 And in addition to that, we also have with our
4 community programs we have 55 active community-based
5 organizations and block clubs. We have now eight
6 active CB patrols which we are with Lieutenant
7 Roosevelt Lawrence, we are hoping to grow that, as
8 well.

9 We also have reinstated our Blight
10 Committee Meetings which are the third Thursday of each
11 month with our community stakeholders at the precinct
12 when we can address blight issues within the community,
13 so we just started that back up again.

14 We have several crime controls strategies
15 that we are doing at the Eighth Precinct which includes
16 our NPO and platoon corps wraparounds which is crime
17 victim followups. After we have a part one crime
18 reported we now can provide, go to the business or the
19 home and do an assessment, a safety assessment after
20 the days following the crime.

21 We do assessments for lighting, security, and
22 environmental issues which made need to be addressed
23 that provide safety hazards. We also provide extra
24 traffic and special operations deployment to the area
25 if we're having any type of a robbery issue, and we've

1 been able to really get our robberies down.

2 We have our Eyes and Ears Community
3 Partnerships working with our organized community
4 citizen groups to target and resolve crime patterns and
5 quality of life issues within the precinct boundaries.

6 And we're also doing actively several MDOC
7 Michigan Department Of Home Visits A Day. We have two
8 Michigan Department of Corrections now embedded in the
9 Precinct, and we check, we do home visits to make sure
10 that our parolees and probationers in the precinct are
11 still compliant with the terms of their parole and
12 probation.

13 And then we also have instituted a fugitive
14 arrest team where we are daily arresting, instead of
15 waiting until we just run into someone who had a
16 warrant we actively go out and make arrests of those
17 who have outstanding warrants, and we're averaging
18 seven to eight felony arrests a day within the Eighth
19 Precinct for wanted felons.

20 Our significant statistical information,
21 year-to-date, our arrest totals for the Eighth
22 Precinct, we are now at 580 felony arrests, 223
23 misdemeanor arrests, 29 juveniles detained for felony
24 crimes, and I'm happy to report we are now at over 101
25 guns off the street as of today. We are 18 long guns,

1 101 handguns, 18 long guns, six assault rifles, for a
2 total of 125 deadly weapons that we have removed from
3 the streets of the Eighth Precinct.

4 (Applause.)

5 CAPTAIN JARVIS: Our calls for services, our
6 year-to-date calls for service so far this year, we've
7 answered 4,007 priority ones, 9,877 other priorities,
8 lower priority runs for a total 13,884 calls serviced
9 since January 1st for our Precinct. We also have our
10 new neighborhood Policing Officers in the Eighth
11 Precinct which are actively addressing quality of life
12 issues.

13 And before I close my presentation I would
14 like to just introduce each one of them. Each one of
15 them has a sector within the Precinct that they
16 concentrate on, but they also partnered up and do
17 several programs. I have Officer Shawn Childrey, come
18 on up, Officer Tonya Owens, Officer Baron Coleman, and
19 Officer Cory Marshall. So if they want to come up.

20 (Applause.)

21 OFFICER CHILDREY: Good evening. I'm Officer
22 Shawn Childrey, and my sector starts from Greenfield
23 all the way to Evergreen and from Schoolcraft all the
24 way to Fenkell, and I'm the person for that area.

25 OFFICER OWENS: Good evening, I'm Officer

1 Tonya Owens, my sector is sector area eight three. I
2 start at Fenkell and Evergreen over to Five Point and
3 Fenkell up to Six Mile and Five Point over to Lahser
4 and Six Mile up to Seven Mile and Lahser over to Seven
5 Mile and Evergreen.

6 OFFICER MARSHALL: Good evening. I'm Officer
7 Marshall, my area is eight one, eight two, eight five,
8 and eight six. Those areas will be the north part of
9 Eight Mile, the south to Fenkell, west end will be Five
10 Points and the east end of Southfield.

11 OFFICER COLEMAN: Good evening. My name is
12 Officer Baron Coleman. I cover from Eight Mile to Six
13 Mile from Evergreen to Greenfield, but I take care of
14 the whole Detroit, probably come out and take care of
15 your house. Thank you.

16 (Applause.)

17 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Commissioners, do you
18 have any questions for Captain Jarvis?

19 COMMISSIONER MOORE: I have a question. I
20 guess it alludes to what Office Coleman just told me
21 about. How are the citizens adjusting to the sectors,
22 you know, is there any confusion?

23 CAPTAIN JARVIS: Not really. It's all gone
24 very smoothly since we've done that. Our MPOs actually
25 when they were instituted they were already in place in

1 those sectors prior to our boundary changes they were
2 already servicing those areas. So there hasn't really
3 been -- it's actually made it better because now their
4 boundaries match their sectors.

5 COMMISSIONER MOORE: And is there a
6 supervisor --

7 CAPTAIN JARVIS: Yes, Sergeant Lisa Shade and
8 she is out of my office.

9 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Any others?

10 VICE CHAIRPERSON WHITE: Very brief, through
11 the Chair. Captain, thank you for that report. The
12 question is germane to the searches and warrants. To
13 be specific, are those felony warrants or searches for
14 warrants? Can you be more specific?

15 CAPTAIN JARVIS: Mostly what we go after with
16 our fugitive team is felony warrants and then high
17 misdemeanors.

18 VICE CHAIR WHITE: What would classify as
19 high misdemeanor?

20 CAPTAIN JARVIS: That is a crime that is over
21 93 days sentencing. It's not a, we're not going and
22 looking for people who have traffic warrants or things
23 like that. We're going for people who have assaultive
24 crimes, things like that.

25 VICE CHAIRPERSON WHITE: Thank you.

1 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Through the chair, the
2 MPOs were supposed to receive cell phones and I believe
3 ipads as a result of a grant. Has that happened?

4 CAPTAIN JARVIS: They have not gotten them
5 yet. They are being programed. Did they give you guys
6 a date yet?

7 OFFICER: (Inaudible.)

8 CAPTAIN JARVIS: Yeah, I think they've got to
9 program all the telephones and add some other things
10 onto them so that they can access the department
11 information from the field, so they can access LIEN and
12 so on.

13 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you.

14 CAPTAIN JARVIS: You're welcome.

15 COMMISSIONER CRAWFORD: Through the chair, I
16 just have one question. Have they received a ten
17 percent pay increase?

18 CAPTAIN JARVIS: No.

19 COMMISSIONER CRAWFORD: And this program has
20 been in place for how long?

21 CAPTAIN JARVIS: Almost two months.

22 COMMISSIONER CRAWFORD: Two months, okay. I
23 just wanted to make sure the pay and resources are the
24 same level.

25 CAPTAIN JARVIS: Yes, we need to get the pay,

1 so if there's anything you can do to help.

2 COMMISSIONER CRAWFORD: Thank you.

3 CAPTAIN JARVIS: We appreciated it.

4 COMMISSIONER CRAWFORD: Yes, ma'am.

5 CAPTAIN JARVIS: Thank you.

6 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Are there any other
7 questions for Captain Jarvis? Thank you, Captain.

8 CAPTAIN JARVIS: Thank you.

9 (Applause.)

10 COMMANDER BETTISON: Commander Tod Bettison.
11 Just for clarification, for the MPO program, it's not
12 going to be ten percent. It's going to be 2.5 percent.

13 COMMISSIONER CRAWFORD: Okay. I'm sorry.

14 COMMANDER BETTISON: Just want to get that
15 out.

16 COMMISSIONER CRAWFORD: Let me restate that.
17 The other ten percent that's on my mind is the ten
18 percent that was taken away. But that's a question
19 that will have to be raised before the emergency
20 manager.

21 COMMANDER BETTISON: Absolutely, and keep on
22 pushing.

23 COMMISSIONER CRAWFORD: Sure. We have
24 Operation Restore. I'd like to see the ten percent
25 that was taken.

1 COMMANDER BETTISON: I concur. Thank you.

2 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Okay. We move to our
3 Standing Committee Report. Are there any Standing
4 Committee reports? Under New Business we have a
5 Resolution honoring Mr. Muhsin Muhammad and I'm going
6 to ask Commissioner White if he would do the honors for
7 us.

8 (Applause.)

9 VICE CHAIRPERSON WHITE: It's an honor to
10 read this Resolution honoring Mr. Muhsin Muhammad.
11 Whereas, Mr. Muhsin Muhammad is a dedicated and
12 committed supporter of the City of Detroit's Eighth
13 Precinct. He has been a Grandmont resident for over
14 27 years. His commitment to business, service, and
15 leadership is exemplified throughout the community; and

16 Whereas Mr. Muhammad is the Block Captain in
17 the Grandmont Community, Chairman of the Grandmont
18 Safety/Security Committee and President of Grandmont
19 Patrol #4. Mr. Muhammad actively participates and
20 sponsors neighborhood watch training, crime prevention
21 and security presentations. He is a member of the
22 Patrol Advisory Team and acts as the Radio Patrol
23 liaison to the Detroit Police Department. He was also
24 very instrumental in the Operation Safe Passage and in
25 the Northwestern District Truancy Sweeps. Mr. Muhammad

1 serves as a mentor to several young men between the
2 ages of 12 to 20 years old; and

3 Whereas Mr. Muhammad has volunteered his time
4 and energy to assist the City of Detroit, and the
5 Eighth Precinct and other surrounding communities in
6 any way possible and is considered a true pillar of is
7 community.

8 Now therefore be it resolved that the Detroit
9 Board of Police Commissioners speaking on behalf of the
10 citizens of the City of Detroit and the Detroit Police
11 Department acknowledge the giving spirit and community
12 service of Mr. Muhsin Muhammad. His vision for Detroit
13 and its citizens is unmatched and highly respected.

14 We thank and congratulate you, Mr. Muhsin
15 Muhammad. Signed, the Detroit Board of Police
16 Commissioners, adopted this day, May 8th, 2014.

17 (Applause, and photos were taken.)

18 PHOTOGRAPHER: All right. Everybody look
19 right at me. And one more time. Now, take the camera.

20 CAPTAIN DOLUNT: Okay. The Detroit Police
21 Department presents a Certificate of Recognition to
22 Coach, resident of Detroit, in appreciation of his
23 contribution, involvement in the community, and service
24 to the City of Detroit and demonstrates a spirit and
25 commitment worthy of recognition, and signed by Chief

1 James Craig. The first one.

2 (Applause and photos.)

3 CAPTAIN DOLUNT: Okay. The Spirit of Detroit
4 Award is presented herein with an expression of
5 gratitude and esteem from the citizens of Detroit to
6 Muhsin Muhammad in recognition of exceptional
7 achievement, outstanding leadership and dedication to
8 improving the quality of life by the City Council of
9 Detroit, and signed by the entire City Council on
10 today's date.

11 (Applause and Photos.)

12 CAPTAIN DOLUNT: Congratulations. Would you
13 like to make a speech?

14 MR. MUHAMMAD: Yes.

15 SPEAKER: Of course he's going to speak.

16 MR. MUHAMMAD: Thank you, sir, thank you,
17 sir. This is not a speech. This is a thank you note.
18 And for the Grandmont Patrol people in the audience,
19 please stand. Grandmont Patrol.

20 (Applause.)

21 SPEAKER: Hold on. You don't have to stand,
22 but you're a member of the Detroit 300. And Crystal,
23 what did you sit down for?

24 MR. MUHAMMAD: And all of the folks here at
25 Bushnell, raise your hands in the back, all of the

1 staff members. You don't know who we're talking about.
2 Raise your hands. This is the time to be recognized.
3 Yes, community relations people. I just want to say
4 that in order to accomplish this goal it takes people.

5 SPEAKER: That's right.

6 MR. MUHAMMAD: So I will accept this award on
7 behalf of the people that support me. And there's one
8 other that's close to matching the accomplishments that
9 I have and we've worked side by side. Mr. Welbourne
10 who is sitting here. Saving senior citizens, saving
11 children is the number one priority for people in this
12 community and families.

13 Mr. Welbourne and I, have just finished the
14 graduation class for the first City Camp in the City of
15 Detroit. Why do I want to mention him? Because these
16 are the kids they say can't be reached.

17 SPEAKER: All right.

18 MR. MUHAMMAD: Social workers, Police
19 Officers, DPD, county people, pooled together with
20 volunteers and we helped to save a lot of young folks
21 and giving them a reason to be positive in their lives.
22 Thank you very much.

23 (Applause.)

24 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: At this time, I'd like
25 to entertain a motion to adopt the Resolution honoring

1 Mr. Muhsin Muhammad.

2 COMMISSIONER: So moved.

3 VICE CHAIRPERSON WHITE: Support.

4 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: It's been moved and
5 supported? Are there any discussions? All in favor?

6 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

7 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: All opposed? The
8 Resolution honoring Mr. Muhammad is adopted, and it
9 will be added to our permanent archives. Thank you,
10 sir. Congratulations.

11 Is there any Old Business? We'll move to
12 Announcements. Our next meeting is Thursday, May 15th,
13 2014, at 3:00 at the Detroit Public Safety
14 Headquarters, and that's at 1301 Third Avenue, Michigan
15 Room.

16 At this time, I'll have oral communications
17 from the audience, and will ask you to come forward,
18 you have two minutes to speak and please state your
19 name for the record.

20 MR. WELBOURNE: Good evening, panel. George
21 Welbourne, W-E-L-B-O-U-R-N-E, President of City Wide
22 Community Relations. I want to personally thank Coach
23 Muhammad because we had a long journey together. At
24 times I know as I did he wanted quit. We just couldn't
25 quit. He said we got to keep going. Now I see the

1 results of it and it's great.

2 We see a lot of kids and he just makes me
3 feel good. One other thing, I wanted to ask if anybody
4 here speaks any Japanese? Anybody here? I'm looking
5 for somebody who -- (Japanese is spoken.) Nobody.
6 Okay.

7 Why I ask this is the City is hosting some
8 kids from Japan later this summer, and I'm going have
9 one myself. I spent seven years in Japan and it feels
10 like it was a second home to me, so I had to step
11 forward for that one. I just wanted to let everybody
12 know if anybody knows anybody speaks Japanese if they
13 would call Captain Jarvis she knows how to get in touch
14 with me. Anybody on the Board. Mr. Anthony, he knows
15 how to get in touch with me. And call the 12th
16 Precinct, they'll get in touch with me. Thank you.

17 D.C. DOLUNT: Excuse me, Mr. Welbourne, up in
18 front. Actually, my grandson just got back from Japan.
19 I know that because it cost me a fortune. So how old
20 is the individual you're sponsoring?

21 MR. WELBOURNE: They're from 16 to 22, I
22 think it is.

23 D.C. DOLUNT: Okay. My grandson is in his
24 early 20s, maybe he can help out a little bit. We'll
25 connect.

1 MR. WELBOURNE: Thank you.

2 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: And those of you who
3 wish to speak if you could come forward, just line up
4 there.

5 MS. PAYNE: Hi, good evening.

6 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Good evening.

7 MS. PAYNE: My name is Edith Lee Payne, and
8 it's been awhile since I've had the opportunity to
9 stand before you. And I served on the Board of the
10 Twelfth Precinct Board of Police Community
11 Relationships with Mr. Welbourne.

12 Why I'm here today, for I guess five or six
13 years, I know I've spoken with at least one of you,
14 about the return of some money that was taken when
15 Detroit Police Officers entered a home, and the case
16 was resolved, it was dismissed, but the money was never
17 returned and it's \$3,500 and this family really needs
18 their money. So please tell me someone afterwards,
19 it's okay, what we need to do.

20 I've talked to City Council. I've talked to
21 the Board of Police Commissioners. I've talked to the
22 Office of the Chief Investigator. I've talked to the
23 Commander of Internal Affairs, Brian Stair when he was
24 a Commander. So I think I've pretty much exhausted
25 most people that I know. But it's been I think since

1 2007, the case was resolved in 2007, but the money has
2 not been returned. So I'd really appreciate your help,
3 someone's help.

4 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Just a minute.

5 MS. PAYNE: With interest.

6 D.C. DOLUNT: Deputy Chief Dolunt. Through
7 the chair, okay, I've never done this before. When you
8 say resolved, what do you mean? You said you talked to
9 the Board of Police Commissioners, you talked to Brian
10 Stair. Did they say you were getting your money back?
11 Did they say the matter was resolved? What do you mean
12 by that?

13 MS. PAYNE: Well, this is what happened.
14 This is what we were told. We were told by the court
15 and by the prosecutor that because the case was
16 dismissed that anything that was moved from the house
17 money would be returned, so we went through those
18 processes except nothing happened, so that's when we
19 started going to the Board of Police Commissioners,
20 Commander Stair. As a matter of fact, Commander Stair
21 says it was forfeited. I don't know why. It was an
22 assault case, and I don't want to go into it, but was
23 an assault case.

24 The people that registered the complaint
25 recanted their story. They didn't tell the truth. So

1 that's why it was dismissed. But the money was never
2 returned. The money should not have been taken. The
3 Officers conducted a search without probable cause.

4 One of the Officers left his sweater on the
5 bed while he was searching. I mean, it really got kind
6 of out of hand. We want to move past that, and it's my
7 daughter-in-law, and get the money if possible.

8 D.C. DOLUNT: Is there a record of taking
9 money, I'm assuming?

10 MS. PAYNE: I'm sorry?

11 D.C. DOLUNT: Is there a record of them --

12 MS. PAYNE: Yes, there was. Unfortunately,
13 though, the Officer only reported \$2,500, and my
14 daughter-in-law texted me moments after the arrest
15 happened and said it was \$3,500. So nobody knows what
16 happened to the other \$1,000. So if you could help us
17 we'd really appreciate it.

18 D.C. DOLUNT: See me after this and I'll get
19 your information.

20 MS. PAYNE: I'll be happy to. Thank you so
21 much.

22 D.C. DOLUNT: Thank you.

23 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you. Good
24 evening.

25 MR. LAWRENCE: Good evening to the Board of

1 Police Commissioners, Deputy Chief Dolunt. Good
2 evening again. My name is Roosevelt Lawrence and I've
3 had the opportunity of working with the Sixth and
4 Eighth Precincts since regular patrols. And it's been
5 a great opportunity just being back out into
6 communities and neighborhoods where citizens really
7 value the quality of life and they put their energies
8 into that quality of life by volunteering.

9 And so a couple quick things. I want to just
10 say -- to Coach Muhammad who is truly boots on the
11 ground in the Eighth Precinct and has been for awhile
12 with the citizens patrol. Captain Jarvis, Captain
13 Walton, they're neighborhood Police Officers in Sixth
14 and Eighth. They're experienced veteran Police
15 Officers, good community relations people, and they've
16 kind of make some of our work easy relative to our
17 specific mission being Sixth and Eighth Precinct radio
18 patrols.

19 Lastly, and so I invite all of you to join a
20 citizen radio patrol in your respective districts. But
21 I do need to also acknowledged Commissioner Richard
22 Shelby who has been attending meetings in his District,
23 and like in church he came down the aisle and he joined
24 his citizens radio patrol, North Rosedale Park Patrol
25 Number 21.

1 And so we appreciate you, Commissioner
2 Shelby. We do look forward to seeing you out
3 volunteering. We know that you will. And the other
4 Commissioners, it's nothing like volunteering. Lastly,
5 from First John, Seven, it talks about love. Let us
6 love one another as God has loved us. I'm going to say
7 good evening to you. Thank you.

8 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you.

9 (Applause.)

10 MS. MARY: Good afternoon. My name is Mary,
11 and I'm the President of Sixth and Eighth Precinct
12 Community Relations. And on May the 16th, we're having
13 an Officers luncheon from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and
14 I would like to extend an invitation. When I say
15 luncheon, it's too much to even tell you what we have,
16 but it's a lot of stuff. And we're just taking this
17 day to show our appreciation. But we appreciate them
18 every day 365. So please come out and just have a good
19 time. Thank you.

20 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you. May 16th?

21 MS. MARY: May 16th from 11:00 a.m. to
22 3:00 a.m., that's on Friday. Yes. We're doing all
23 three shifts. And we're doing some of the surrounding
24 Officers, too, because we're surrounded by Redford,
25 Livonia, and Dearborn, and the Sheriff's Department,

1 and State Troopers.

2 VICE CHAIRPERSON WHITE: The location?

3 MS. MARY: The address is Warwick and
4 Plymouth Road at the Sixth and Eighth Precinct. The
5 number I really -- what is it? Yeah, Plymouth and
6 Warwick. You can't miss it. 11450. Thank you,
7 Muhammad.

8 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Are there any other
9 communications?

10 COMMISSIONER SHELBY: Madam, Chair, I'd like
11 to bring a startup business in the City of Detroit.
12 Unfortunately, we have crime scenes at all hours during
13 the day, during the night. And this is a startup
14 company. This young lady I met in my travels of doing
15 the responsibilities of the commission/community and I
16 thought it was interesting in terms of her efforts to
17 initiate this business and we need to introduce her to
18 the community. Her name is Shanay Penn and she's with
19 Crime Scene Cleanup. I think she circulated her flier.
20 I just wanted to give her an opportunity to speak to
21 the community.

22 MS. PENN: Good evening, everyone. My name
23 is Shanay Penn. I circulated a flier. My company is
24 call Purity Contamination Crime Scene Cleaning, and we
25 started two years ago, and our goal is to clean up

1 crime scenes in the community. We know that crime is a
2 problem, although it's going down, but we're also aware
3 that a lot of citizens that are affected by crime are
4 left without recourse for cleaning up after these
5 events.

6 From my experience talking to Officers who
7 are at the scene to see this firsthand that the first
8 thing that they say is they think that, the residents
9 think that they're supposed to actually assist them
10 cleaning up or supposed to refer someone to them, and
11 the Officers say they have no one to refer to them or
12 they have no service to help clean up. Their best bet
13 is to call a regular cleaning service which may not be
14 open during the time of a crime or it may not be open
15 on weekends in order to help them clean.

16 So, we're open 24 hours a day, seven days a
17 week. If somethings happens two o'clock in the morning
18 you can give our company a call and we'll come out
19 within and hour and help clean up. We really started
20 out as a need in the community and because of that we
21 are a for profit business, but I partner with a
22 nonprofit in order to get the scenes cleaned up, so I
23 work with a staple in the community Quick Call which is
24 a service that works here.

25 But the reason that I work with them for

1 cleaning is they employ a lot of returning citizens and
2 also a lot of citizens who have issues that have
3 chronic unemployment, so they have drug issues, alcohol
4 issues, and those are the guys that we're using in
5 order to clean up. We're on staff 24 hours a day, and
6 there are ten guys that we're using.

7 So I just wanted to get my service out here
8 and let you know that there is recourse. Let the
9 Officers know that you don't just have to leave and
10 feel like you're leaving the victims with a mess to
11 clean up and you have no other recourse for them to go
12 to or know where to refer them to. Refer them to my
13 service and I'll be more than happy to help.

14 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you.

15 D.C. DOLUNT: My question is this, crime
16 scenes you clean up are usually traumatic experiences
17 and unfortunately a lot of lower income individuals
18 that can't afford this. Is there victim's aid? Who
19 can help subsidize these cleanups from these traumatic
20 experiences? It's hard to clean up blood from a family
21 member. How do you rectify that?

22 MS. PENN: Well, there is a crime victims
23 association with the State of Michigan so they're able
24 to apply for funds up \$400 to assist with cleaning.
25 And, myself, I did a cleanup off of Greenfield and Joy

1 Road. I actually live over there in District 7. And I
2 did it pro bono because, I mean, there was just the
3 ambulance came, there was still gunshot shells on the
4 ground, they cut off the clothing and left the bloody
5 clothing there, and so I cleaned free of charge.

6 So even though I am a for profit, socially
7 I'm really a nonprofit because if you call me I will
8 come clean it up.

9 D.C. DOLUNT: Thank you.

10 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Any there other
11 questions for Miss Penn?

12 MS. PENN: Thank you.

13 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Are there any other
14 communications?

15 MS. STALWART: Hello, everyone.

16 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Hello.

17 MS. STALWART: I'm really not good at
18 speaking but I have a neighbor over there and I was
19 raised in the church with her and she's forcing me, but
20 I'm really not prepared. But once again, I wanted to
21 say hello. My name is Stacy Stalwart and I represent
22 Blackberry Bar and Grill which is located on Grand
23 River between Evergreen and Lahser.

24 And I just want to share the fact that we've
25 been in business eight years, and what our intention

1 was when we started out was being an entrepreneur; you
2 want to start a business and you think more like Cheers
3 and then somewhere down the line twists and it turns
4 with the bar.

5 But I don't know if any of you have been to
6 the bar? Like I said, it's been eight years. We have
7 great food. And like I said, our intentions were when
8 we started and what we've become unfortunately in the
9 news is not a good thing and that's not what we wanted.
10 So we would like to transition. We want to become more
11 involved in the community and we want to focus more on
12 what we're good on, and that's food.

13 We want to change the name and take the bar
14 out. We don't want to be a bar. We want to be about
15 community, and I think that a lot of people would be
16 happy with that. So please know that's our intention.

17 And also, Coach, I spoke with him and I think
18 he's going to kind of take me under his wings, too, and
19 what better person, right?

20 SPEAKER: Right.

21 MS. STALWART: Are there any questions or
22 anything? Because some things that were in the media
23 were not true about Blackberry Bar and Grill. So I'm
24 happy to answer any questions or just please know that
25 our intentions are good, and we want to make some

1 transitions, some positive transitions.

2 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you.

3 MS. PANNELL: Good evening, Sharon Pannell.
4 I was forced up here. We just want to acknowledge Mary
5 Muhammad. She stands by her husband. She's in the
6 community. She's a former Police Wayne County Sheriff.
7 And we want to recognize her, too, tonight.

8 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Would you like to come
9 up and say something?

10 (Applause.)

11 REVEREND TERRANCE: Good evening, everybody
12 and bless you all. I see many faces here. D.C.,
13 congratulations on the new position. The last time we
14 saw each other you were a Commander.

15 (Inaudible.)

16 Sir, God bless you, as well. My name is
17 Reverend Terrace. I'm with the Ukrain Orthodox Church.
18 And I was at the prayer service several weeks ago for
19 Steve Utash. No weapon formed against me can prosper.

20 SPEAKER: Yes, sir.

21 REVEREND TERRANCE: The savior that night was
22 the young lady. I want to say young because she flew
23 on top of Steve and she saved his life. And I went to
24 visit him at the hospital the day that he woke up from
25 his coma, and he was awake, he was alert. We actually

1 prayed together. It's a shame that she wasn't allowed
2 to see him that day, but she saw him shortly after.

3 And we need more people like that, more
4 people to recognize that our guardian angels that fall
5 from nowhere to save their fellow citizens because even
6 though they don't live in the City they support the
7 City, they do business in the City, have friends in the
8 City, and we need to bring more people into the City.

9 So she saw a big -- she did a big act by
10 saving his life. And our prayers are with all of you,
11 all of you on the police force, and God bless
12 everybody.

13 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you, Reverend.

14 (Applause.)

15 MR. MUHAMMAD: I couldn't sit down after that
16 introduction. Thank you for putting me on the spot,
17 sir. For those of you who don't know, the last police
18 administration, Sixth and Eighth Precinct, Mary was
19 highly honored by all of the above. And she is a very
20 dedicated wife and serious person. You know, most
21 Officers, many Officers when they retire they don't do
22 a lot. But that's not true of Mary. She calls them
23 out, too. She does not allow them to get away on easy
24 street since they're highly trained, highly skilled,
25 and professionals.

1 In regards to Blackberry Lounge, I spoke with
2 Miss Tracy and Miss Tracy is a victim. She's had, you
3 know, they've had a very good business. Good food.
4 People come in and cater. But like most of the areas
5 that we need to concentrate on and get the bad guys
6 under wraps, she has been exposed to people that take
7 advantage of the customers coming into the store.

8 So my goal and objective is to make her a
9 community source and to give her the opportunity to be
10 protected and kind of build a network around her. And
11 I forgot to mention Jed Robinson. Is Jed still here?

12 Jed is with Grandmont One Patrol. We also
13 have Rosedale Patrol and North Rosedale Patrol. We go
14 out every Friday and we all work together and trying to
15 network and keep our community safe, so.

16 And last of all most Honorable Commissioners,
17 I really appreciate the opportunity and the honor you
18 bestowed upon me today. If I overlooked you. Hi,
19 Lisa, how you doing? Thank you very much.

20 (Applause.)

21 COMMISSIONER CARTER: I've known Muhsin for
22 over twenty years. And Mary was a mentor when I was at
23 the Wayne County Sheriff's Office. So she's been
24 mentoring people for a long time.

25 SPEAKER: That's right.

1 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Not to mention all the
2 other things that she's done in the community.
3 Wherever Muhsin is, Mary is there. So I commend both
4 of you this evening. Thank you.

5 (Appause.)

6 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Ms. Muhammad, I think
7 you need to come up and say a word.

8 MR. WELBOURNE: Put you on the spot.

9 MS. MUHAMMAD: Well, this is certainly
10 unexpected, but. As I was also a union rep for
11 twenty-five years before I was promoted into
12 administration for ten years at the airport. I learned
13 to be visible and vocal a long time ago. Mr. Bell, we
14 go back. I don't know if you remember 1979, the first
15 NBPA conference was here. I still have my handle,
16 NBPA 5.

17 We had to go to the airport, that's when Bill
18 Lucas was the Sheriff, and pick up all the Police
19 Officers from around the county. Bill Lucas never did
20 anything halfway. He got with a Lincoln dealership and
21 we drove Town Cars to pick those people up from the
22 airport.

23 Needless to say, I didn't know those people
24 from other places. My mentor, Al James, said it takes
25 a cop to know a cop, so you better not miss one. And I

1 didn't, and I didn't. The only person I missed was the
2 person who missed his flight. So I've had mentors and
3 I've learned don't keep things to yourself because we
4 can't do anything that way. We have to pass on what we
5 know and share. When I said to serve and protect
6 that's what I've done in every way possible that I
7 could.

8 When I came home from the Sheriff's
9 Department my house was broken into a month after I
10 retired. I was out of town. My husband was in the
11 bed. A gun was pulled on him. And he was just lucky
12 that day that I wasn't there. And Muhsin was in the
13 bed. Because we would of had some body bags for sure
14 in my house.

15 But we've learned that crime is everywhere.
16 We let people know to look out for each other. And
17 since we've been doing this for the last five years
18 since I've retired we have a community crime alert
19 email network that goes around the city.

20 We have almost 800 people in this community.
21 But because we have people like Mr. Ward, everybody
22 knows Jim Ward.

23 SPEAKER: That's right.

24 MS. MUHAMMAD: He has thousands of people.

25 Last year there was a gentleman in a red Taurus who was

1 victimizing women out in the neighborhood. He was also
2 up in Green Acres. By the time the Police Department
3 got those crime alerts he was connected to about ten
4 cases, maybe more. So those crime alerts are handy
5 especially if we have descriptions, license plate
6 numbers, and other things to work with.

7 So it's just a pleasure to be here. I'm
8 honored that, I'm honored to be honored. I'm honored
9 to have a partner. Lisa's husband was my partner many,
10 many years ago. I hate to say that was 25 years ago
11 because I'm not that old. But I was always lucky
12 enough to have good partners and I'm blessed to have a
13 good partner in life. Thank you, everybody.

14 (Appause.)

15 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you. Are there
16 any other communications? The Commissioners have told
17 me I'm only allowed to ask once. If not, I'll
18 entertain a motion to adjourn.

19 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair?

20 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Yes.

21 COMMISSIONER BELL: I'll rise to a point of
22 order. I would just like to say thank you to
23 Commissioner Donnell White. Most of you are probably
24 aware, if you're not aware shame on you, but he is
25 Executive Director of NAACP Detroit Chapter.

1 (Applause.)

2 COMMISSIONER BELL: I think he is one the
3 youngest executives in the history of the Detroit
4 Branch. I know most of you like myself have been a
5 life member of NAACP formerly serving on the Board of
6 the NAACP with the great, the Honorable Wendell
7 Anthony, Reverend Wendell Anthony.

8 In terms of that, we have an outstanding
9 Freedom Fund Dinner on Sunday, and he extended a warm
10 invitation for the Commissioners to attend. I just
11 want to acknowledge because freedom is not free.

12 SPEAKER: That's right.

13 COMMISSIONER BELL: The Civil Rights. When
14 Ms. Muhammad was mentioning about the National Black
15 Police Association, my involvement of hosting the
16 conference here. We have always been in a close
17 working relationship with Wayne County Sheriff Deputy.
18 I just appreciate that.

19 Through the Guardian Movement they formed a
20 organization back in '63 when I was in high school,
21 dating myself, but basically is that this type of
22 commitment. I'd also like to acknowledge the fact that
23 this Board the composition now we have former Commander
24 Richard Shelby, a retired Detroit Police Officer,
25 Commander, and we have Reginald Crawford, Mr. Crawford

1 is a retired Officer, and we have Mr. Ricardo Moore, a
2 retired Lieutenant, and Lisa Carter, you heard her
3 introduce herself, Wayne County.

4 So we have that type of commitment and still
5 with the City of Detroit. I just want to acknowledge
6 our efforts. And I just want to say about our Chair,
7 Commissioner Taylor, in terms of being an appointed
8 person. From day one in January she has been really a
9 beacon of light, a beacon leadership, a beacon of
10 fellowship. She has provided leadership. I just want
11 to acknowledge that effort.

12 (Applause.)

13 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you, Commissioner
14 Bell.

15 MS. JENKINS: Good evening, my name is Yvette
16 Jenkins, and I live in Grandmont, and I'm very happy to
17 see the group here today. It's been awhile since I
18 attended a meeting of the Detroit Police Commission.
19 In fact, the last one was over in Brightmore some years
20 ago. So I'm glad to see all the faces here, and the
21 fact that you're out in the community, and this gives
22 me hope.

23 I have lived in this community I hate to say
24 over twenty years now, and I frankly have lost hope.
25 And I know there have been challenges within the Police

1 Department with, you know, changes that have occurred.

2 But I feel hope now, which is something that
3 I'd just given up. I attended a meeting yesterday, the
4 District One Community Meeting that Councilman Tate
5 does twice a month, and that has given me hope. I feel
6 as though that I'm being heard which I think is one of
7 the challenges that many people may have encountered.

8 I had a conversation with a woman earlier
9 today and I shared with her at the meeting yesterday.
10 And she was like, oh, my gosh, it's great to know we
11 have options, that we have resources, and that is being
12 communicated out in the community.

13 Also, I had a chance to meet Mr. Shelby, our
14 Commissioner Shelby, yesterday. And when he spoke, I
15 asked, how can we get in touch with you? And he
16 immediately gave a phone number. And frankly I think
17 everyone in the room was a little surprised, you know,
18 for that reason that, you know, not used to people
19 being available and heard, you know, and actually when
20 you call that number to have someone answer the phone,
21 take action, listen, you know, to what you're
22 requesting and actually make a note of it.

23 So, again, thank you for being here and
24 because we need that, you know, we've had a tough time
25 here, you know, those of us that have stuck and stayed.

1 (Applause.)

2 MR. SMITH: Hi, my name is Jayvon Smith. I'm
3 a resident of the North Rosedale. I was invited here
4 by a person who, her name is Beverly, I don't know if
5 she's here, but she is a part of the security
6 enforcement neighborhood watch type stuff, and she
7 invited me. Basically I thought it was more like of
8 trying to find out -- basically we've had neighbors for
9 the past five years that we're trying to work with, the
10 neighborhood calling the local -- I'm trying to
11 remember the name of it. I'm sorry. Anyway.

12 So I'm here basically, I understand it might
13 not be the proper venue but since there's so many
14 people involved here, I just wanted to come up and
15 mention that I am looking for help with North Rosedale
16 Park as far as how to get rid of people in the
17 neighborhood who are doing illegal things. Given that
18 I've been doing this for over five years. In
19 particular a house that the Police has actually come in
20 and raided, after a high-speed police chase from
21 Livonia, recently in the past few months came and
22 arrested someone from the house.

23 So that's why I'm here for a very specific
24 issue. I understand this might not be part of the
25 venue. So I at least wanted to step up. So if there's

1 anyone out here that I can talk to?

2 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Deputy Chief, do you
3 want to --

4 D.C. DOLUNT: Captain Jarvis is right in
5 front of you, she's right next to you, and she will
6 talk to you and address these issues.

7 MR. SMITH: All right, thank you very much.

8 MS. BAKER: Good evening. I'm Monique Baker.
9 I want to thank you for coming out to our community
10 today. I had a question in reference to an
11 investigation that is going on currently. The city
12 clerk said that she referred some information to the
13 Internal Affairs Department in reference to a candidate
14 and their lack of them being a resident in our
15 community, and I just wanted to find out if anyone
16 knows the status of that or who is the investigator in
17 that matter?

18 D.C. DOLUNT: Okay.

19 MS. BAKER: Because I've been trying to find
20 out.

21 D.C. DOLUNT: If it's Internal Affairs
22 Investigation that's the City Clerk, is that what
23 you're saying?

24 MS. BAKER: The City Clerk, yes, she referred
25 the matter to the Internal Affairs Division, and I

1 inquired at the Police Station where or who, you
2 know --

3 D.C. DOLUNT: Sounds like -- corruption, but
4 see me after the meeting. If it's Internal Affairs, I
5 don't want anyone's name out there. We'll talk after
6 the meeting, no problem.

7 MS. BAKER: All right. Thank you.

8 MS. SMITH: Good evening, Bernice Smith,
9 Human Rights Commissioner. I couldn't sit there and be
10 quiet with all the kudos that Bell gave out because I
11 have some of my own. This Commissioner whether the
12 audience knows it or not is the best that we had.
13 Believe me, take my word for it.

14 Because I investigate each one of them when
15 they come on board and those that were in the past
16 Commissioners. Even though I didn't get to be
17 fortunate enough to sit up with them. They put me in
18 another department. But the meantime, I'm satisfied.
19 I will let you know that young man over there is his
20 partner, former partner.

21 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Which one are you
22 pointing to?

23 MS. SMITH: Reggie, Reggie. They have been
24 partners for years, and they were a wonderful couple
25 and they did their job. Believe me, we were in good

1 research(sic) together. That's years ago in the '80s.
2 So I know about their history and believe me they
3 haven't changed yet.

4 And you, Mr. Donnell, I must tell you, you
5 did do a wonderful job. Donnell started with the NAACP
6 in the -- let's see, Anthony came in '93. I was there
7 in '80. And he came a long way because he was the
8 youngest when he started out with the young group and
9 he is moved up to the position that I'm very proud of
10 that he's having and he's doing a good job with it.

11 I told him, I stayed away for a long time,
12 and I told him, when you become the President I'll come
13 back. But look like he's not going to be President too
14 soon. So I guess I'll come on back and work with him.

15 But anyway, I get along with Anthony. He all
16 right. But the fact is it was a beautiful event
17 Sunday. And those that didn't show up you missed
18 seeing me in a once in a lifetime outfit that I had on.
19 But in the meantime, we had a good time, seriously
20 speaking.

21 And Jessica looked really nice. I admire her
22 because she can wear her suits and her dresses and
23 believe me she looked very stunning. So I just want to
24 give you a report on what you guys missed and the rest
25 of the audience. I know some of the people can't

1 afford that \$150.00, but a lot of times we do give out
2 complimentary tickets, so maybe you be lucky next year
3 to get one. In the meantime, I just want to tell all
4 of you it was a beautiful affair. And I'm very proud
5 of Donnell and he has grown, he's really grown, and I'm
6 proud of him and his mother and his brother also. And
7 the rest of you keep up the good work. You're doing a
8 marvelous job so far and you're going to continue to do
9 what you've been doing. You're going to solve all
10 these problems.

11 Because yesterday there was a problem. I'll
12 say this. There was three men that was trying to break
13 into a young lady's car. It's on the news today. And
14 she was at a nursing school taking her child inside and
15 the gentleman from across the street noticed what was
16 going on because he noticed these three men going from
17 one car to another and finally they decided they were
18 going to break into this lady's car and when somebody
19 came in and told her that they were breaking in her car
20 but when she ran out she just screamed.

21 But in the meantime, this is what happens
22 when you get involved, the gentleman came from across
23 the street with a gun out and stopped them and he did
24 capture one. The rest of them got away. I don't know
25 whether they drove off in the car or not.

1 But anyway, they got away and he kept him
2 there on the ground 'till the police came. So this is
3 something that the citizens are doing regularly now.
4 They used to didn't do this. But now they are getting
5 involved because we got a Police Chief that won't stop.

6 He has told everybody that he comes in
7 contact with I'm here to stop this crime. And I'm
8 proud of him and I've told him over and over again just
9 stay away from the dirty, crooked politicians, that's
10 all I tell you to do. Do your job because I'm going to
11 be watching you also. So on that I will end.

12 Especially when he went -- Sheffield in there. I'll be
13 through. I'll stop.

14 In the meantime, keep up the good work.
15 Yeah, I know Brown didn't say nothing. So he let me go
16 off. But we're going to clean up this City. The
17 citizens here in the City, they're tired of all the
18 crookedness going on in the City. They're going to
19 clean it up and we're going to clean up the crime, too.
20 Young lady, you doing a beautiful job.

21 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you.

22 MS. SMITH: Keep up the good work and be safe
23 all of you uniform Police because I love all of you.
24 I'm fighting for your raise. So if I can get somebody
25 to give you back your raise, I'll be happy, to.

1 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Thank you.

2 COMMISSIONER MOORE: If I could give out one
3 more kudos. I would like to ask all of the young
4 ladies in this audience here to stand including
5 yourself, all young ladies stand, all the young ladies
6 stand.

7 Brothers, let's give them a round of
8 applause. Motherhood, Mother's Day is Sunday. I know
9 you mothering someone. We just want to say, thank you,
10 thank you, thank God for you, because without mothers,
11 sisters and cousins we would not make it. Right,
12 brothers? Amen.

13 COMMISSIONER SHELBY: Thank you. The way the
14 Commission is set up we work with different precincts
15 and different divisions so I want to announce Captain
16 Steve Dolunt of the Sixth Precinct.

17 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Stand up, sir.

18 D.C. DOLUNT: And Captain Cox from the Tenth
19 Precinct. I work very closely with them.

20 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Are there any other
21 communications? If there's nothing else --

22 D.C. DOLUNT: I just want to acknowledge
23 Captain Conway Beck.

24 SPEAKER: I know he's one of the best.

25 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: Well, stand up one of

1 the best.

2 (Applause.)

3 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: All right. So there's
4 no other communications, I move for adjournment.

5 COMMISSIONER BELL: So moved.

6 COMMISSIONER WHITE: Second.

7 CHAIRPERSON TAYLOR: It's been moved and
8 seconded. The meeting is adjourned.

9 (The hearing concluded at 7:49 p.m.)

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