

Draft Minutes Detroit Board of Police Commissioner
Date of Meeting: November 10, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.
 Location: Church of Christ Elmwood Park 2001 Antietam Avenue – 7th Precinct

Chairman Willie Bell called the BOPC meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. (November 10, 2016)

Detroit Police Commissioner Membership / Attendance	Attend	Not in Attendance
Willie E. Bell, Chair	Yes	
Ricardo R. Moore, Vice Chair	Yes	
Elizabeth Brooks	Yes	
Willie E. Burton	Yes	
Lisa Carter	Excused	
Reginal Crawford	Yes	
Eva Dewaelsche (joined 6:50pm)	Yes	
Conrad Mallett	Yes	
Richard Shelby	Excused	
Bishop Edgar Vann	Yes	
Quorum (Yes)	9	

The Board acted in accordance with its rules and approved the Agenda for November 10, 2016.

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 Thursday, November 10, 2016**

BOPC Officers Report(s): After the welcome and opening remarks by the **Chair, Bell** asked the pastor of the Church of Christ Elmwood Park, **Pastor Reginald Best** to give the invocation and welcoming remarks as the pastor of the Church. Chairman Bell asked the Commissioners in attendance to introduce themselves, the BOPC staff and OCI staff was introduced. BOPC Chair Bell also asked the Chief's representative to introduce any DPD staff attending the meeting. Deputy Chief LeValley introduced several command officers including Deputy Chief Hall and Commander Barren.

Chairman **Bell** spoke about the Home going ceremony for Officer Myron Jarrett, indicating it was great turn out at Second Ebenezer Church. He expressed appreciation to Commissioner Vann for the service. Bell said, "It was a tremendous loss for the family and asked that we keep Officer Jarrett family in mind."

Chairman **Bell** also reported attending the DIA Film Festival regarding the militarization of the Police Department. The film was about Ferguson, Mo., entitled *Do Not Resist*. Bell indicated that Commander Barren was on the panel associated with the film and asked Barren to address the Commission commenting on his participation on the panel and impressions of the film. Barren gave brief remarks regarding his participation. **Barren** discussed the film including the riots in Ferguson, the 10/33 program (without oversight) in which police departments can obtain military weapons. Barren also indicated on the panel was the movie's director from metro Detroit and professor from Wayne State. Barren continued "Without giving the movie away, the tactics of the Ferguson Police Department was disrespectful of its citizens and had no community engagement. To view the panel portion go to freep.com, film festival." Barren concluded by saying "Detroit is not perfect but Detroit NPO program engages our citizens."

Commissioners Moore and Commissioner Crawford commended Commander Barren and his unit upon the Noble School Deployment. **Commissioner Bell** commended Commander Barren & Unit and Detroit Police Department in their dealing with citizen unrest and protest.

Chief of Police Report: Representing Chief James Craig was **Deputy Chief LeValley**. He also thanked Bishop Vann for Officer Jarrett Home going service. DC LeValley highlighted DPD's monthly Compstat report dated November 6, 2016. Following the

Chief's report, **Bell** indicated that Officer Jarrett was promoted to rank of Corporal as have been the case with other fallen officers.

Presentations to the Board

The 7th Precinct report was made by **Captain Hope**. Hope provide a detail report of crime statistics and initiatives in the precinct. Hope also indicated the 7th Precinct contains many business, seven of these businesses are a part of the Green Light initiative. Hope continued to outline the demographics of the precinct including 14 schools, 19 block clubs along with other community institutions. **Commissioner Burton** thanked Cpt. Hope for the 7th Precinct and 5th District reductions in crime during calendar year 2014 & 2015. Cpt. Hope concluded her remarks by expressing her appreciation to Miss Felicia and Miss Gwen for their work in the precinct and donating the refreshments for the evening.

Presentation of Use of Force Continuum and Police Academy Curriculum, AC James White, Lt. James Coles, Jr. and Corporal Mark Greer Operations

AC White started his presentation indicating that the Detroit Police Department operationalized community policing in each of our precinct. He indicated that one of the initiatives started by DC Hall was to have each cadet in the academy to perform community service before they graduate. White expressed the use of force is a necessary part of an officers' day. White indicated that there exist a range of actions and responses to actions that a police office can make in the lawful arrest of a citizen. White along with representatives from the Police Academy Training Section demonstrated the use of force continuum starting with the arrival of the police and how it might progress as the circumstances demand. The team of officers outlined and demonstrated the guidelines to follow regarding use of force. There is Inactive Resistant and Passive Resistant, depending upon the circumstances officers make a judgment as to the type of force used in their interactions with the public. The range can include active resistant, active aggression wherein the response might include strikes to the green zones or fleshy part of the body (see Chart on Use of Force and Strike Zones). White also indicated there is also situations wherein deadly force is justified. White also indicated that the department reviews use of force data. White concluded his presentation by indicating that officers are also trained in de-escalation methods and should look for opportunities to reduce the conflict between citizens and officers.

Commissioner Dewaelsche inquired whether officer utilize the same methods (aiming at strike zones) when shooting is involved. DPD Officers are trained to shoot center mass, if you shoot at an arm and miss that bullet can land anywhere.

Commissioner Crawford asked "Where are we on the evaluation of the electronic weapon? Which one is the department considering, electronic weapon with a camera or without?" Crawford added he would like a presentation on the different systems.

Commissioner Dewaelsche asked whether there is a draft policy regarding electronic weapon. AC White responded indicating that such a policy would include several issues including multi-deployment weapons. White also indicated that the policy would include protocols for medical attention and would likely prohibit dry stuns. **Commissioner Mallett** asked "What is the problem we are trying to solve? Why do we believe we need to introduce this weapon system?" Mallett requested that the department assemble data to support the reasons to add a new weapons system to the department. AC White responded by indicating that he was working on a white paper (study) on electronic weapons and its potential use in DPD. AC White ended his remarks by indicating that the white paper would be forthcoming.

BOPC Standing and Ad hoc Committee Reports: No Report

Bell acknowledged DC Hall as a 2nd generation police family. Bell described that on August 1971, Hall's Father was killed in the line of duty. Both Commissioner **Bell** and Commissioner **Sanders** also acknowledged DC Hall for her courage.

Report from Board Secretary:

Mr. Hicks reported that tomorrow offices are closed (11/11/2016). Hicks also indicated that DPD is expected to transmit the FY:2010-2018 Budget to the Commission on November 22, 2016 for our review and approval. Hicks also indicated, as of today a 2nd round promotions list has been received from the Chief of Police. Hicks indicated that we would begin our review of the list and would hope to add the list to the BOPC agenda within two weeks.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Three Resolutions

Read by **Commissioner Brooks** – Resolution honoring Pastor Samuel Turner

**POSTHUMOUS
RESOLUTION HONORING
PASTOR CHRISTOPHER SAMUEL TURNER**

- WHEREAS** Pastor Christopher Samuel Turner was born March 19, 1974, in Detroit, Michigan to Martha Turner and Kenneth Hill. He is a faithful husband of nineteen years to Toletha, and loving father to his children Davonte, Joy, Elisha, Micah, Carissa, and Caleb; and
- WHEREAS** Pastor Turner was the oldest grandson of the Late Founder of the Pentecost Word of Faith Full Gospel Church, Pastor Lossie Turner of whom he succeeded as the Senior Pastor on November 14, 2005. He served faithfully under the divine leadership of her and Assistant Pastor Devetria L. Roseman for twelve (12) years in various areas, including usher board, Sunday school teacher, deacon, and associate pastor; and
- WHEREAS** In October 2009, God allowed Pastor Turner to birth the “Vision” in his spirit, a ministry that deals with a man emotional, mental, physical, and spiritual being. The name of the ministry was changed to New Life Experience Christian Center; and
- WHEREAS** Pastor Turner worked as a Hope Site Specialist for the New Paradigm Glazer Academy in Detroit, and served as a board member. Since January 2015 he has been serving as the Chaplin for the Detroit Police Department at the Fifth Precinct, as well as Assistant Chaplin for the Wayne County Jail. He is a recurring television panelist on “Ask the Pastor” on TCT Network, an Internet Radio Personality on the Ron Todd show as well as the host of his own internet Radio Show called “Kingdom Building with Pastor Chris” ; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners speaking for the citizens of the city of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, acknowledges the dedication and servant spirit of Pastor Christopher Samuel Turner. His spiritual leadership made a great impact to his congregation, and the community throughout the city of Detroit.

Read by **Commissioner Moore** – Resolution honoring Ms. Toyia Watts. Watts was also honored by the Detroit Police Department and City Council Read by Cpt. Hope and Deputy Chief LeValley respectively.

**RESOLUTION HONORING
MS. TOYIA WATTS**

- WHEREAS** Ms. Toyia Watts has been an active volunteer in the Seventh Precinct boundaries for many years. Watts is a product of the Detroit Public School system; she graduated in 1971 from Martin Luther King High School; and
- WHEREAS** Ms. Watts is the President of the Charlevoix Village Block Club in the Seventh Precinct. She is a major organizer of the Seventh Precinct National Night Out 2016 Campaign. As a lifelong resident of the city, being aware of the changes in her community she researched her community needs, then organized several different block clubs, including the Charlevoix Village Block Club, Baldwin Block Club, Parker Block Club, and Sheridan Block Club; and
- WHEREAS** Ms. Watts worked for General Motors, Chevrolet Division and Automotive Interiors in Westland, Michigan. She also worked at Dr. White Dentistry as a Dental Hygienist; and
- WHEREAS** Ms. Watts community involvement with the Seventh Precinct began when she became a grass root activist in 2000, because of her deep love for the city. Ms. Watts has remained in her family home for the past sixty years where she continues to reside. She is in constant contact with elected leaders, and managers for District 5. This allows her to stay abreast of the issues regarding the Seventh Precinct; and
- WHEREAS** Ms. Watts loves to volunteer and help where ever she is needed. She is what every community leader hopes for and more. Her dedicated service has earned her several community awards, State of Michigan Community Award from City Council 2012, The Community Comeback Award 2014, and Spirit of Detroit Award 2014; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners speaking for the citizens of the city of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, acknowledges the generous spirit of Ms. Toyia Watts. Her unselfishness and dedication to improving the quality of life for all citizens in her community and throughout the city of Detroit, merits our highest regards.

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Read by **Commissioner Burton** – Resolution honoring Mr. Sam Sattam. Sattam was also honored by the Detroit Police Department and City Council Read by Cpt. Hope and Deputy Chief LeValley respectively.

**RESOLUTION HONORING
MR. SAM SATTAM**

WHEREAS Mr. Sam Sattam is the owner and Chief Operating Officer at Farmer Johns Complex located at 731 Harper Avenue, Detroit, Michigan 48213. A native of Iraq, he migrated to Detroit, Michigan in 1975. He is a father of five and a grandfather of three; and

WHEREAS Mr. Sattam became a member of the Associated Food and Petroleum Dealer in 1980, an organization that is dedicated to providing scholarships and promoting education through the food and petroleum industry. At that time he purchased his first market, Mario Market; and

WHEREAS Mr. Sattam purchased the current location twelve (12) years ago. His desire was to develop an inclusive community involved store, focusing on providing healthy, clean, and fresh groceries at a value price. Since that time, Mr. Sattam changed his envision about four years ago to develop a plaza/complex with several stores that would be an asset for the whole community; and

WHEREAS Mr. Sattam is a major contributor for the Seventh Precinct as well as the surrounding churches, and block clubs in the area. His dedicated service has earned him several awards, Angels' Night Award 2014, Seventh/Eleventh Precinct Award 2014, City Council Spirit of Detroit 2014, Associated Food and Petroleum Dealer Award 2014 & 2015, and Community for Change Award 2015; and

WHEREAS Mr. Sattam whose motto is, "You can take a man out of his city, but you can never take the city out of the man." He is a successful entrepreneur that has remained in city of Detroit through its toughest times and has no intentions of leaving; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking on behalf of the citizens of the great City of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department acknowledge the entrepreneur spirit, charitable contributions, and vision of Mr. Sam Sattam. His unselfishness and dedication to improving the quality of life for all citizens in his community and throughout the city of Detroit, merits our highest regards.

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Commissioner **Moore** shared **Bruce Veaster** of Scott Benson staff passed away asked for a moment of silence.

Oral Communications:

Crystal Fields spoke about a program, Clean & Safe Compstat, to be held at 300 River Place 4th Floor 11/18/16 @ 11:00 a.m. Lunch will be served. Fields also expressed how much they love Captain Hope. **Brittney Sander** representing Community Engagement @ Belle Isle, spoke about the Newsletter Belle Isle Beat, Project 1967 – Reclaim wood and Wind Chimes, DDOT has restored bus serve back to Belle Isle after 9 years. **Cpt. Hope** – mention Veterans Day Parade. **Michael Aponte** asked about his timeline on Appeal process wherein he was denied a position as a DPD PO. **Beverly Wiley** indicated her appreciation of the 7th Precinct. **Dr. Divers**, Community Liaison to Councilmember George Cushingberry mentioned the Neighborhood Enterprise Tax Credit has been extended to 12/9/16. He suggested that citizens go to Room 804 in CAYMC. To qualify for the tax credit property must have been purchased after 1997, and citizens must have made at least \$500 improvements in the property.

Announcements: DC LeValley mentioned Friday, November 18 Graduating Class.

Adjournment: 8:00 PM