MEMBERS PRESENT: Jacob Andrews, Morris Brooks, Sara Buchanan, Nathan Dannison, Curtis Gardner, Oliver Howell, Erica Patton, Vernon Payne, Tonia Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT: Strick Strickland

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Patsy Moore (Deputy City Manager); Martin Markos (Executive Assistant)

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Chair Payne.

Minutes: Mr. Howell motioned to approve minutes from February 2018 (noting one change); supported by Chair Dannison. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Board members reviewed the statistics for complaints filed for 2018 provided by KDPS. Board requesting 2017 statistics and the possibility of receiving additional information on complaints not appealed. Deputy City Manager (DCM) Moore indicated that she would review with City Attorney to determine what could be released to the Board.

Mr. Andrews, Mr. Brooks and Chair Dannison volunteered as a part of a communications team that is tasked with informing the citizens about the board and avenues to apply. The board continued with discussions regarding citizen complaints and how/where they are taken. Photos will be taken next month to place on the website with a short bio.

An update was given on potential racial bias training. DCM Moore indicated the she would continue to research suggested trainer and report back to the board.

An update was given on membership. There are currently two vacancies to be filled. Both could be filled by community organizations. Suggestions were given. DCM Moore indicated that she would reach out to those organizations.

It was also noted that Pastor Strickland has had three unexcused absences and by board policy should be replaced.

The Board was reminded of an invitation to attend Citizen’s Academy in May.

DCM announced to the Board that the City of Kalamazoo would sponsor one individual to the 2018 NACOLE Conference in St, Petersburg Florida. The conference is one week long.

Citizen Comments:

None.

Board Comments:

Board members and staff discussed section 10 of the CPSRAB guidelines and how the board can best serve the public.

Next Meeting: April 10, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:49 p.m.