
CITY OF KALAMAZOO
Citizens Public Safety Review & Appeals Board
Tuesday, November 13, 2018 – 6:00 p.m. • Mayor’s Riverfront Park

MEMBERS PRESENT: Curtis Gardner, Kim Hinds-Lepsy, Oliver Howell, Vernon Payne, Jacquis Robertson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jacob Andrews, Morris Brooks, Sara Buchanan (excused), Nathan Dannison (excused), Luis Garcia (excused), Tami Rey, Tonia Smith

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Patsy Moore (Deputy City Manager); Patricia Vargas (Executive Assistant); Public Safety Chief Karianne Thomas, Deputy Chief Jeff VanderWiere

The Citizens Public Safety Review and Appeals Board (CPSRAB) Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Payne.

Minutes: Gardner motioned to approve minutes from September and October 2018; supported by Howell. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Board members reviewed the statistics for complaints filed for 2018 provided by KDPS.

A PowerPoint presentation addressing the committee’s request for information was given by Chief Thomas, which was followed by open dialogue regarding KDPS operations.

Chief Thomas proposed that the December 11, 2018 CPSRAB meeting be held at the KDPS Administration building on Crosstown Parkway, providing committee members the opportunity to not only visit the facilities but to be introduced to Public Safety’s senior staff. Committee members accepted the invitation.

Citizen Comments:

None

Board Comments:

CPSRAB members would like information and/or brochures which outline the process of how to file a complaint with Public Safety, including detail on how to access applicable forms and where to submit the complaint. Deputy Chief VanderWiere will provide to members accordingly.

Both KDPS and CPSRAB would like to move forward with initiatives that are data driven providing an opportunity to identify benchmarks, demonstrate improvement, define best practice and plan strategically.

Next Meeting: December 11, 2018 at KDPS Headquarters.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:43 p.m.

Patricia Vargas, Recording Secretary
Patsy Moore, Staff Liaison
Vernon Payne, Chair