



# Office of Police Ombudsman Commission

Agenda  
October 20, 2020  
5:30PM – 7:00PM  
WebEx Meeting

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## Commission Briefing Session:

5:30 – 5:35pm	1) Welcome to public	Commissioner Rose
	2) Agenda approval	Commissioner Rose
	3) Approval August 18th Minutes	Commissioner Rose

## Items:

5:36 – 6:10pm	1) Public Forum	Citizens Signed up to Speak
	2) August Monthly Report / Annual Report Presentation	Bart Logue
	3) September Monthly Report	Luvimae Omana

## Commission Business:

6:11 – 7:00pm	1) Presentation of Annual Report to City Council	Commissioner Rose
	2) Closing Report on the Protests	Commissioner Rose
	3) Commissioner Vacancies	Commissioner Rose
	4) Commissioner Speak Out	Commissioners
	5) Executive Session – Employee Performance Review	Commissioners

## Adjournment:

Next Ombudsman Commission meeting will be held November 17, 2020

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# Office of Police Ombudsman Commission Minutes

August 18, 2020

Meeting Minutes: 1:26

Meeting called to order at 5:31pm

## Attendance

- OPOC Commissioners present: Ladd Smith, Jenny Rose, James Wilburn, and Elizabeth Kelley
- OPOC Commissioner absent: Blaine Holman
- Legal Counsel: David Bingaman
- OPO staff members present: Bart Logue, Luvimae Omana and Christina Coty

## Items Session

- Agenda: Approved - Unanimous
- July 21st minutes: Approved - Unanimous

## Guest Speaker

- City Council President Beggs
  - Discussed Police Reform, Office of the Police Ombudsman Ordinance changes, Police Guild contract.

## Public Forum

- No one signed up to speak

## OPO Monthly Report

- The OPO continued to see an increase in contacts and above average complaints for the month of July. In addition experienced an above average case work load
  - 133 contacts, 6 Complaints, and 12 Referrals.
  - 13 special cases, 17 cases; 3 were returned for further investigation.
  - NACOLE Virtual Conference started this month leading to the OPO attending 11 trainings.

## Commissioners' Business

- OPOC Legal Contract Update
  - Concerns with verbiage in the OPOC legal contract.
  - The current contract doesn't allow the OPOC's legal counsel to sue the City, which prevents the overall independence of the commission.
- Commissioner Vacancies
  - There will be 2 vacancies on the OPOC starting in September.
  - District 1 (Blaine Holman) and District 2 (Elizabeth Kelley) will have their terms expire and will not seek re-appointment.
- Commissioner Speak Out
  - Commissioner Smith – Discussed the NACOLE Virtual Conference, how the sessions are very helpful. Asked how to keep track for the CPO certification. Asked about the "Being an Ally" training Mr. Logue attended with Dr. Wilburn
  - Commissioner Wilburn – Discussed Commissioner Smith's question of what Dr. Wilburn's training "Being an Ally" is and his obstacles with NACOLE Webinar trainings

- Commissioner Kelley – Tonight is her last OPOC meeting and wanted to extend her thanks to CP Beggs for his appointment and all of the OPOC / OPO for the kindness shown during her time. Wishes that she would have been able to grasp the policies and procedures surrounding the ordinance and the positions quicker.
- OPOC September meeting
  - Would like to have all the commissioners consider cancelling the September meeting, because we may not have 2 replacement commissioners.
  - Motion to cancel the September meeting –
    - Unanimous Vote cancel September meeting

**Motion Passes or Fails: 3**

**Meeting Adjourned at: 6:57pm**

**Note: Minutes are summarized by staff. A video recording of the meeting is on file -  
Spokane Office of Police Ombudsman Commission**

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September 22, 2020

**Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report**

Reporting Period: August 1-31, 2019

Snapshot of Activities		Monthly	Year to Date
<b>Community Outreach</b>			
OPO	Total community events and meetings	3	46
OPOC	Community outreach / activities	1	27
<b>Contacts</b>		121	904
<b>Commendations</b>		0	6
<b>Complaints</b>			
	Received complaints	0	39
	Referred complaints	8	74
<b>Case Review</b>			
	Request for further investigation	4	17
	Investigations certified / concurred	4	44
	Declined certifications	0	0
	Special cases reviewed	3	108
<b>Interviews</b>			
	OPO interviews	10	95
	Internal Affairs interviews	7	43
<b>Training</b>		16	65
<b>Critical Incidents</b>		1	1
<b>Mediations</b>			
	Recommended	0	1
	Conducted	0	1
	Declined	0	0
<b>Recommendations</b>		0	0
<b>Other Activities</b>			
SPD Related	Meetings / contacts	28	235
	Review boards / D-ARP's	1	13
	Closing meetings	0	0

1. **Outreach**
  - a) **OPO**
    - i. OPOC Meeting (8/18)
    - ii. Jonah Project Board Meeting (8/20)
    - iii. Human Rights Commission – Presenter (8/24)
  - b) **OPOC Actions**
    - i. OPOC Meeting (8/18)
2. **Commendations / Complaints**
  - a) **Referrals**
    - i. **IR 20-67** – Not satisfied with the outcome of their daughters case; SPD/IA
    - ii. **IR 20-68** – Not satisfied with the outcome of their complaint; SPD/IA
    - iii. **IR 20-69** – Upset that they are unable to turn in a Conceal Carry Permit; SPD Deputy Director
    - iv. **IR 20-70** – Concerned that the SPD used funds to help set up for an anti-abortion rally; SPD/IA
    - v. **IR 20-71** – Concerned when they allegedly witnessed an officer kick the helmet of a deceased victim towards the deceased; Crime Check
    - vi. **IR 20-72** – Concerned that SPD officers are not wearing masks during traffic stops; SPD / PIO
    - vii. **ER 20-73** – Concerned with a lack of response from SPD regarding a suspicious vehicle by their home, Crime Check didn't dispatch; Crime check
    - viii. **IR 20-85** – Concerned with a lack of response from the NRO and Crime Check; SPD/IA
3. **Case Review**
  - i. **C20-053 / OPO 20-35** – Investigation certified
  - ii. **C20-048 / OPO 20-30** – Investigation certified
  - iii. **C20-054 / OPO 20-36** – Investigation certified
  - iv. **C20-068 / OPO 20-45** – Investigation certified
  - v. **C20-042 / OPO 20-23** – Request for further investigation
  - vi. **C20-046 / OPO 20-26** – Request for further investigation
  - vii. **C20-039 / OPO 20-21** – Request for further investigation
  - viii. **C20-066 / OPO 20-43** – Request for further investigation
4. **Special Cases Reviewed**
  - i. 0 Use of Force
  - ii. 0 K9
  - iii. 0 Collisions
  - iv. 3 Pursuits
5. **Critical Incident**
  - a) Officer involved shooting
    - i. August 7, 2020, Rodeway Inn & Suites Spokane Valley
    - ii. Officer injured, treated and released from hospital
    - iii. Suspect – Deceased
6. **Activities**

- a) OPO staff members participated/engaged in the following other activities:
  - i. NACOLE Strategic Planning Committee (8/4)
  - ii. PSCHC (8/3)
  - iii. Mayor's Quarterly Division and Department Head Meeting (8/5)
  - iv. NACOLE Strategic Planning Committee (8/13)
  - v. Leadership Spokane Alumni Board Retreat (8/13)
  - vi. Leadership Spokane Board Retreat (8/19)
  - vii. IA Biweekly Meeting (8/20)
  - viii. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 9 (8/3)
  - ix. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 10 (8/4)
  - x. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 11 (8/5)
  - xi. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Keynote Speaker Dolores Huerta (8/7)
  - xii. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 12 (8/10)
  - xiii. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 13 (8/11)
  - xiv. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 14 (8/12)
  - xv. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 15 (8/13)
  - xvi. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 16 (8/17)
  - xvii. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 17 (8/18)
  - xviii. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 18 (8/19)
  - xix. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 19 (8/24)
  - xx. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 20 (8/25)
  - xxi. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 21 (8/27)
  - xxii. Training – WSBA CLE Legal Lunchbox Series: Confronting Systemic Trauma in Family Law Cases involving Domestic Violence (8/28)
  - xxiii. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 22 (8/31)
- b) SPD related
  - i. 27 meetings/contacts with IA
  - ii. 2 meetings/contacts with SPD
- c) OPO met with/had contact with OPO Commissioners/staff:
  - i. Commissioner Rose on (8/7, 8/11 x2, 8/12, 8/17 x2, 8/18, 8/21)
  - ii. Commissioner Holman on (8/7, 8/12)
  - iii. Commissioner Smith on (8/7, 8/11, 8/17, 8/18)
  - iv. Commissioner Wilburn on (8/7, 8/11, 8/18)
  - v. Commissioner Kelley on (8/7, 8/18)
  - vi. OPOC Legal – Bingaman on (8/18, 8/21 x2)
- d) OPO met with/had contact with City Council:
  - i. Council Member Stratton (8/21)
  - ii. Council Member Mumm (8/21)
  - iii. Council Member Burke (8/3, 8/13 x2)
  - iv. Council President Beggs (8/12, 8/31)

7. **Next Steps**

- a. Budget for 2021

- b. SPD protest response review
- c. Annual Report Presentation



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October 20, 2020

**Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report**

Reporting Period: September 1-30, 2020

Snapshot of Activities		Monthly	Year to Date
<b>Community Outreach</b>			
OPO	Total community events and meetings	2	48
OPOC	Community outreach / activities	0	27
<b>Contacts</b>		84	988
<b>Commendations</b>		0	6
<b>Complaints</b>			
	Received complaints	4	43
	Referred complaints	18	92
<b>Case Review</b>			
	Request for further investigation	1	18
	Investigations certified / concurred	1	45
	Declined certifications	0	0
	Special cases reviewed	13	121
<b>Interviews</b>			
	OPO interviews	9	104
	Internal Affairs interviews	2	45
<b>Training</b>		10	75
<b>Critical Incidents</b>		2	3
<b>Mediations</b>			
	Recommended	0	1
	Conducted	0	1
	Declined	0	0
<b>Recommendations</b>		0	0
<b>Other Activities</b>			
SPD Related	Meetings / contacts	23	258
	Review boards / D-ARP's	2	15
	Closing meetings	0	0

1. **Outreach**

a) **OPO**

- i. Jonah Project Board Meeting (9/8)
- ii. Spokane COPS Board Meeting (9/30)

2. **Commendations / Complaints / Referrals**

a) **Complaints**

- i. **OPO 20-47** – Inadequate Response; Complainant reviewed the BWC from their arrest and based on the conversation that the officers had prior, they believe they were falsely arrested.
- ii. **OPO 20-48** – Inadequate Response; Complainant is concerned that officers interacting within 6 feet of citizens while the officers were not wearing masks.
- iii. **OPO 20-49** – Demeanor; Complainant was pulled over by an officer who alleged that they were on their cell phone while driving and that they could take their concerns up regarding the ticket in court.
- iv. **OPO 20-50** – Demeanor / False Arrest; During a DV call the complainant was arrested on the allegation of obstructing and going for the officer's weapon. The complainant stated that they had done nothing and that the officer was rude the entire time.

b) **Referrals**

- i. **IR 20-74** – Wanted to know the outcome of a pedestrian fatality on the South Hill; SPD/IA
- ii. **ER 20-75** – Concerned about people parking in front of their home; Code Enforcement
- iii. **IR 20-76** – Concerned about an officer allegedly stalking them; SPD/IA
- iv. **IR 20-77** – Concerns with the excessive noise from their neighbor; SPD/NRO
- v. **ER 20-78** – Concerned about a citizen who was arrested by the Sheriff's Department; SCSO
- vi. **ER 20-79** – Concerned about a citizen who was arrested by the Sheriff's Department; SCSO
- vii. **ER 20-80** – Citizen has complained about a nuisance vehicle for over 4 months with no response; Code Enforcement
- viii. **ER 20-81** – Citizen has complained about a nuisance vehicle for over 4 months with no response; Dispatch
- ix. **IR 20-82** – Citizen has complained about a nuisance vehicle for over 4 months with no response; SPD/NRO
- x. **IR 20-83** – Citizen frustrated that SPD wouldn't enforce the state mask law by giving a ticket to people who weren't wearing masks; SPD/IA
- xi. **IR 20-84** – Concerned about an officer allegedly stalking them; SPD/IA
- xii. **IR 20-85** – Informed about an officer enforcing a warrant on a DV victim at the YWCA; SPD/IA
- xiii. **IR 20-86** – Citizen alleges a lack of response by SPD regarding their landlord and neighbors; SPD/IA

- xiv. **IR 20-87** – Concerned about an officer allegedly stalking them; SPD/IA
- xv. **IR 20-88** – Concerned about an officer allegedly stalking them; SPD/IA
- xvi. **IR 20-89** – Concerned about an officer allegedly stalking them; SPD/IA
- xvii. **IR 20-90** – Concerned about an officer allegedly stalking them; SPD/IA
- xviii. **IR 20-91** – Citizen alleges that an officer was extremely rude while being asked questions about a case; SPD/IA

### 3. Case Review

- i. **C20-068/OPO 20-45** – Investigation certified
- ii. **C20-066/OPO 20-43** – Returned for further investigation

### 4. Special Cases Reviewed

- i. 6 Use of Force
- ii. 1 K9
- iii. 6 Collisions
- iv. 0 Pursuits

### 5. Critical Incident

- a) Officer involved shooting
  - i. September 11, 2020, Rodeway Inn Broadway Ave; Spokane Valley
  - ii. Officer shot – treated and released from the hospital.
  - iii. Suspect - Deceased
- b) Officer involved shooting
  - i. September 24, 2020, Highway 2
  - ii. Wanted suspect was approached by officers and fired shots at SPD Officers. Officers returned fire striking the suspect.
  - iii. Suspect – Deceased

### 6. Activities

- a) OPO staff members participated/engaged in the following other activities:
  - i. NACOLE Strategic Planning Committee (9/1)
  - ii. Leadership Spokane Executive Board (9/8)
  - iii. Leadership Spokane Leadership Board Social Committee (9/9)
  - iv. IA Biweekly Meeting (9/24)
  - v. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 23 (9/1)
  - vi. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 24 (9/2)
  - vii. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 25 (9/3)
  - viii. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 26 (9/8)
  - ix. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 27 (9/9)
  - x. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 28 (9/14)
  - xi. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 29 (9/15)
  - xii. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 30 (9/16)
  - xiii. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 31 (9/21)
  - xiv. Training – NACOLE Conference Webinar Session 32 (9/22)
- b) SPD related
  - i. 16 meetings/contacts with IA
  - ii. 9 meetings/contacts with SPD
- c) OPO met with/had contact with OPO Commissioners/staff:

- i. Commissioner Rose on (9/1, 9/11, 9/28)
- ii. Commissioner Smith on (9/11, 9/27)
- iii. Commissioner Wilburn on (9/11)
- d) OPO met with/had contact with City Council:
  - i. Council Member Mumm (8/21)
  - ii. Council Member Burke (9/7 x4)
  - iii. Council Staff Lara Estaris (9/16)
  - iv. Council Staff Hannahlee Allers (9/25)

7. **Next Steps**

- a. Budget for 2021
- b. SPD protest response review