



Office of Police Ombudsman Commission

March 22, 2018

Meeting Minutes: 1:55

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm

Workshop Attendance:

- OPOC Present: Ladd Smith, Jenny Rose, James Wilburn, Jr., Colleen Gardner, Elizabeth Kelley, Legal Counsel-Dennis Hession
- Commissioners Not Present: None
- OPO Staff Members Present: Bart Logue, Luvimae Omana, Christina Coty

Items Session:

- Agenda Approval
- The February 7, 2018 meeting minutes approved unanimously after requested changes made
 - Commissioner Kelley attended the February 7th meeting at the Native American Project
- OPO Report Highlights
 - 4 Complaints, 3 OPO Interviews & 7 IA Interviews
 - 4 cases came to OPO for certification - 1 returned for further investigation, 1 declined to certify, 1 was certified and 1 was offered mediation
 - 1 declined to certify based on a new category (CLOSED) and a misunderstanding in the definition of the category
 - Bart and Luvimae started the Reserve Academy in February
 - OPO submitted our version of the Use of Force Policy to Chief Meidl for review.

Public Forum:

- Alan McDowell – He discussed the Ennis trial and how his interest in that case stems from accusations of under 21 year olds drinking parties related to police department employees going back to 2008. His former colleague worked for the City of Spokane and was made aware of allegations of rape. These Spokane Police Department individuals referenced as having sexual assault claims against them still work for the police department. He stated that there is definitely a problem at the state level with arbitrators and the guild and not being able to get rid of bad officers.

Guest Speaker:

- Bob Scales – Police Strategies
 - Police Force Analysis System demonstration and discussion

Commissioners' Business:

- OPOC Retreat – Commissioner Rose
 - Depending on the material this would most likely need to be a special meeting. Will partner with Commissioner Smith to put together options for the April Meeting.
- Policies and Procedures Update – Commissioner Gardner
 - There was a request to provide feedback regarding the content included in the Policies and Procedures.
- OPO Office Renovations – Commissioner Smith

- No update at this time. There have been discussions with Ed Lukas regarding a temporary location in the basement.
- Bart Logue and Dennis Hession will schedule some time to meet, in order to discuss the ability of the OPO to do their job in a significantly reduced space.
- OPOC Documents and Letters Reminder – Commissioner Smith
 - Please send information to the Chair prior to sending out documentation or letters that represent the OPOC.
- OPO and OPOC recommendation letters for review and signature
 - Police Force Analysis System funds request to the City Council
 - Approved
 - Recommendation – Police Force Analysis System confirmation of work with Chief Meidl
 - postponed until April 17 OPOC Meeting
 - Recommendation - Evidence Release Procedure
 - Postponed until April 17 OPOC Meeting
- Reality Based Police Shows
 - Discussion Postponed until April 17 OPOC Meeting
- Public Records Ordinance
 - Discussion postponed until April 17 OPOC Meeting
- Officer Ennis Conviction
 - Discussion postponed until April 17 OPOC Meeting

Motion Passes or Fails: 4

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:25PM

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

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