



Office of Police Ombudsman Commission Minutes

September 18, 2018

Meeting Minutes: 1:31

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm

Attendance

- OPOC Commissioners present: Ladd Smith, Jenny Rose, James Wilburn, Elizabeth Kelley
- Legal Counsel: Dennis Hession
- OPO staff members present: Bart Logue, Luvimae Omana, Christina Coty

Items Session

- The Agenda was unanimously approved
- Minutes approved unanimously, pending a minor change to page 3

Public Forum

- OPO report highlights
 - 200 contacts, 10 Complaints, 5 Referrals, 27 OPO Interviews, 17 IA Interviews & 1 Mediation
 - 15 cases came to OPO for certification
 - Increase in inadequate response complaints due to more property crime or general frustration. OPO is meeting with Dispatch / Crime Check are meeting this coming Monday to ensure all parties are on the same page.
 - Case issue with IA – This case may come to the OPOC, if the Chief doesn't push it back to IA
 - Issue with Police Strategies has been resolved – SPD will be sending unredacted reports
 - Lack of movement on IA Pro for Christina or unredacted UOF reports for Commissioner Wilburn – discussion ensued
- Analyst brief
 - OPO Recommendations –
 - R18-5 – Requiring sworn statements in complaints. The OPO recommends that the sworn statement be removed from the IA complaint forms and also not be verbally issued to complainants at the start of interviews.
 - 1st Amendment and Americans with Disabilities Act concerns with recent complaints
- Administrative Specialist brief
 - Upcoming training and travel information – USOA & NACOLE

Commissioners' Business

- OPOC legal counsel update
 - Initiative 940 – On November ballot
 - Public records request ordinance – tabled with minimal talks to proceed
 - Stance on Guild will be addressed after the OPOC retreat
- OPOC retreat – Commissioner Rose
 - October 27th from 9am – 1pm

- Currently looking for a location and retreat facilitator
 - Draft Agenda creation – in progress
- Approval of OPO Recommendation – R18-05
 - Requiring of Sworn Statements in Complaints – see Analyst brief
 - Commissioner Kelley moved, Commissioner Wilburn seconded – The recommendation was unanimously approved
- Vice-Chair election
 - Commissioner Wilburn nominated Commissioner Rose
 - Unanimous Vote
- October OPOC meeting discussion
 - Due to the training / travel and the retreat, vote to cancel October meeting
 - Unanimous Approval

Motion Passes or Fails: 5

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:01PM

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

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