



# Office of Police Ombudsman Commission Minutes

July 21, 2020

Meeting Minutes: 1:20

Meeting called to order at 5:30pm

## Attendance

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

## Items Session

- Agenda: Approved - Unanimous
- June 11th minutes: Approved - Unanimous
- Clarification of Closing Report Vote from June 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting
  - Unanimous Vote to approve

## Public Forum

- No one signed up to speak

## OPO Monthly Report

- Incredibly busy month for the OPO due to the protests / riots & Police Guild Contract
  - 18 Complaints, 5 Commendations, and 14 Referrals to various agencies
  - 24 meetings with SPD, 22 meetings with City Council Members
  - 4 cases certified
  - 34 citizen interviews, 11 IA interviews
  - Police Chief requested the OPO conduct independent review of how the protests / riots were handled by the SPD

## Commissioners' Business

- Annual Reports – Commissioners
  - Vote to approve the OPO Annual Report
    - Unanimous Approval
  - Vote to approve the OPOC Annual Report
    - Unanimous Approval
- Commissioner Vacancies / Reappointments
  - Commissioner Holman – has moved out of the City of Spokane and will not continue serving as a commissioner on the OPOC at the end of his term in September.
  - Commissioner Kelley – will be stepping down from the Commission due to personal obligations with her new appointment as President of the Spokane Symphony Board.
- Commissioner Speak Out
  - Commissioner Smith – Wants to celebrate the request of an independent investigation of the Protests / Riots by Chief Meidl. Addressed his sadness and congratulations to Commissioners Kelley and Holman on their next adventures

- Commissioner Rose – Wants to send thanks and appreciation to the OPO for all they have been doing during this season of business. Thank you to all.
- Commissioner Wilburn – Thank you and Congratulations to Commissioner Kelley and the OPO for all they are doing.
- Employee PAR
  - Executive Session began at 6:40pm and ended at 7:00pm

**Motion Passes or Fails: 5**

**Meeting Adjourned at: 7:00pm**

**Note: Minutes are summarized by staff. A video recording of the meeting is on file -  
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