

CLEMSON POLICE ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Date: Thursday, January 23, 20254

Members in Attendance: Madame Chair Lisa Robinson, Chief Campos, Winton Hunter, Steven Plant, Elaine Masceri, Sandy Edge, Kevin Dull, Jacquie Myers, Saniya Burns and Pablo Unda

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Madame Chair Lisa Robinson @ 6:00pm.

Roll Call: Roll was called by Madame Chair Lisa Robinson. All members in attendance.

Approval of Agenda: Kevin Dull made motion to approve, Seconded by Sandy Edge. Motion carried.

Approval of previous meeting minutes – November 14, 2024: No changes noted. Sandy Edge made a motion to approve. Elaine Masceri seconded. Motion passed.

Citizen Comments: No citizen's comments or questions presented.

Presentation by CUPD Associate VP for Public Safety, Kimberly Spears-McNatt: Started in Sept. 2024. Grew up in Akron OH. Graduated from Ohio State University. Spent 30years as a police officer with The Ohio State University Police Department. She has a B.A. in Criminology and a Masters in human services management. The VP position oversees police, fire and ems while reporting to Tony Wagner. Looking to transform lives and make a difference. Key points:

- How you treat people matters.
- Maintaining relationships with CU and city is critical.
- Leadership is important.
 - Building leaders that can continue the goals is important.
- Cross training is important. Make sure the teams are cross training and no one person has all the knowledge and skills.
- Want all departments to be accredited.

Lisa Robinson - what opportunities or challenges do you see with growing enrollment? Kimberly Spears-McNatt - space is the biggest right now. Maximize where things are, make sure we attract quality students. Lisa Robinson - Any plans to issue any recommendations or anything in ref to the wheeled devices on campus? Kimberly Spears-McNatt - universal problem on campuses. There are some regulations in place but you have to find a balance. Start with education before enforcement. Pablo Unda - Do you plan to expand the mental health response unit? Kimberly Spears-McNatt - yes. Having them to deal with students in crisis is very beneficial. We will definitely continue it. They are Dept. of Mental Health employees and not CUPD employees. Steven Plant – Kudos to CUPD, it seems like officers have been doing more engagement lately. Do you have plans to increase that? Kimberly Spears-McNatt - absolutely. They are assigned residence halls, and groups to make sure to build relationships and make them more effective in making the students feel comfortable and safe.

Department Status / Staffing Review: Chief Campos provided a synopsis of current matters with the Department.

- We lost a tenured Sgt and are in the process of filling that position. Will announce soon.
- Grant for narcotics detective was funded and we have selected the detective that will back fill that position.
- Five vacancies to fill
 - one uncertified started a few weeks ago
 - job offered to two starting in Feb.
- One detention officer graduated academy today
- still have one dispatch position open
- Dept. of Corrections did a jail inspection and wanted a few corrections
 - Notice today from Capt. Culbreath that the changes have been made

- We did budget to upgrade things in the jail so hopefully that will occur soon.
- In final stages of getting ready for accreditation assessment
 - waiting on the coalition to let us know when they are coming
- Panhellenic group on campus looked for test kits to give their people to see if their drinks have been spiked. We didn't learn about them until later. The ones they chose only look for fentanyl and methamphetamines. Did some research and spoke with the state lab and a company put together a blood and urine kit where anyone that suspected they were drugged could have them tested. Met with Panhellenic group this past week and they want to take those kits on. I purchased 10 kits to have in case we needed them. One kit has been used so far.
- New vehicles are back from the upfitters and are on the road.

Crime Review: Chief Campos gave a rundown of the crime statistics for November and December 2024.

- November= 561 traffic stops
 - 272 citations
- Dec. 358 traffic stops
 - 138 citations
- 1 breaking and entering in Dec
- 3 breaking and entering in November
- 5 vehicle break ins in Dec.
- 3 vehicle break ins in Nov.
- 2 mv stolen in Dec. and 3 in November
- 9 narcotics arrests in Nov. and 12 narcotics arrests in December
- 3 public disorderly in Nov. and 2 in December
- The annual report is in its final draft stages and we will put it on the agenda to discuss next month.

Proposed Golf Cart Bill (H3292)/Discussion for City Ordinance: The bill did not get past subcommittee but has been refiled. We took a vote last time to ask council to support the bill again. Do you want to ask council to support the new bill? See 3A ref to municipalities. Chief Campos - state law, once it changes, bill give municipalities opportunity to create ordinances regulating use of golf carts at night. This bill does not put the federal standards on the lighting. Hopefully we could address in an ordinance. Sandy Edge - motion to ask council to support the bill. Jacquie Myers second. Motion passed unanimously.

Requested Presentations: Service dogs for vets coming in March. Chief Campos suggested a presentation on FIOA vs discovery? Sandy Edge - maybe something to discuss the letter from the mayor. Steven Plant - Would it be possible to get the narcotics officer to do a presentation? Chief Campos will ask, but he is involved in several operations so it may not be in best interest for him to be public. Jacquie Myers asked about a K-9? Chief Campos advised we no longer have one but can ask one of the agencies we cooperate with.

Board Member Open Discussion: Steven Plant - have we considered changing website to a .gov? Chief Campos advised that is something that would have to go through the IT department.

Adjournment: Kevin Dull made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded and passed.

Adjourned at 6:55 pm.

The next meeting will be held at 6:00PM on Thursday, February 27, 2025, Council Chambers, City Hall. Minutes submitted by Karla Jones, Admin. Assistant to the Chief of Police, City of Clemson.