



MINUTES POLICE ADVISORY COMMISSION Meeting

7:00 PM - Thursday, September 26, 2019
Council Chambers

The POLICE ADVISORY COMMISSION of the City of Ypsilanti was called to order on Thursday, September 26, 2019, at 7:00 PM, in the Council Chambers, with the following members present:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

I CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

II ROLL CALL

COMMISSIONERS:

Andy Fanta	Present
Heather Freeling	Present
Kathleen McCormick	Present
Herman Humes	Present
Gail Wolkoff	Absent

STAFF LIASION:

Police Chief Tony DeGuisti

III AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda was approved as submitted

IV APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) Approval of the August 22, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner McCormick moved, seconded by Commissioner Freeling to approve the minutes.

Approved: Yes - 4; No - 0; Absent - 1 (Wolkoff)

V PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES)

VI RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

a) Monthly Ypsilanti Police Department Statistical Report - Chief DeGuisti

Chief DeGuisti provided the monthly statistical report.

Commissioner Freeling asked if the Chief could comment on the recent shootings that have taken in place in the city. Chief DeGuisti responded there

were press releases for both incidents, but he is a little guarded on information that can be released about on ongoing investigation.

Commissioner Fanta stated he is glad the probationary officer will be certified.

Commissioner Humes asked if there was more funding for additional officers. Chief DeGiusti replied the department is budgeted for thirty officers.

b) Examining potential recommendation for ordinance amendments

Commissioner Fanta introduced his proposed changes to Ordinance 1295 based on Ann Arbor's Ordinance. Commissioner Humes asked if the suggested language regarding diversity in the commission's composition would be required. Mr. Fanta responded it would act as a guide for Council appointments.

Commissioner McCormick stated there have been a lack of applications for the commission, and asked how the openings can be made more public. Commissioner Fanta suggested the Commission pass a resolution requesting Council advertise the vacancy.

VII OLD BUSINESS

VIII PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES)

1. David Freund - stated as a citizen he has concerns about the recent shootings. He knows there is an investigation, but wants to know if the city is safe.
2. Steven Taylor - stated the recent shootings are between certain groups and the wider community is safe. He asked about the shooting at the party store on Michigan Ave.

Chief DeGiusti responded the shooter at the party store has apprehended shortly after the incident.

IX NEXT MEETING DATE

October 24, 2019

X ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.