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NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, July 14, 2020 @ 4:00 p.m.
VIRTUAL ZOOM WEBINAR MEETING

MINUTES

Council Members Present:

Mr. Bill Bell, Co-Chair	Mr. Jea Street, Co-Chair
Ms. Karen Hartley-Nagle, President	Mr. Penrose Hollins, Pro-Temp
Mr. John Cartier	Mr. Kenneth Woods
Mr. George Smiley	Ms. Dee Durham
Ms. Janet Kilpatrick	Ms. Lisa Diller
Mr. David Tackett	Mr. David Carter
Mr. Timothy Sheldon	

1. Call to Order

- Councilman Bell called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes from the June 9, 2020 Meeting

- A motion to approve the minutes of June 9, 2020 Public Safety Committee meeting was made by Councilman Smiley, seconded by Councilman Woods, and approved unanimously by the members present.

3. **°20-073: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$375,000 TO THE CONTRACTED POLICE DUTY REVOLVING FUND, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.** **Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Mr. Street**

- Councilman Bell read the Title.
- No questions or discussion.

4. Update on Emergency Communications/911 Center

- Chief Jeffrey Miller gave an updated presentation which consisted of the staffing and response to the Coronavirus. In addition, they are looking into a possible virtual ZOOM Citizens Academy in September.
- Chief Miller discussed the Call Volume for the 911 Center. He stated that the Call Volumes are down; however, the calls are much more serious in nature.
- The Call Processing Times were discussed. It was stated that overall the 911 calls were answered in 10 seconds or less and the year-to-date percentage was 94.17%.
- Questions and discussion from Council.

5. Update on Paramedics

- Councilman Bell congratulated Chief Mark Logemann on his recent promotion as Chief of the Emergency Medical Services.
- Chief Logemann gave an update on the EMS Program. He discussed the Paramedic Academy, recruitment process, PPE supplies and the paramedic interaction with NCC and DHSS regarding the COVID-19 testing.

He then reminded everyone to continue to be vigilant with COVID-19 and urged everyone to remain socially distant from others and to wear their masks.

- Questions and discussion from Council.

6. Update on NCCPD

- Colonel Vaughn Bond gave an update on the NCCPD. He discussed the Police Academy and stated that it was a very diverse group of 22 NCCPD members and 3 members from outside Police Agencies.
- Colonel Bond discussed the updated Use of Force Policy. This led to discussion regarding the Ban on Chokeholds and the Duty to Intervene Policies.
- Questions and discussion from Council.

7. Public Comment

- Christine Bricker talked about NCCPD proposed Ordinances.

8. Other

- Mr. Street discussed the NCCPD SWAT vehicle being used during civil disobedience.

9. Adjournment - Motion was made by Councilman Smiley, seconded by Councilman Tackett, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Barlow, Legislative Aide to Councilman Bell, Co-Chairman Public Safety Committee. This meeting of the Public Safety Committee was also taped and a recording of the meeting is available upon request.

**In accordance with Governor Carney's Proclamation, coupled with the Governor's Declaration of a State of Emergency, New Castle County Council held this meeting as a telephone and video conference, utilizing Zoom Webinar. Meeting materials, including a meeting agenda, legislation to be addressed during the meeting, and other materials related to the meeting are electronically accessible at <https://nccde.org/AgendaCenter/County-Council-1>*