

**POLICE ADVISORY BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2025 - 5:30 P.M.
FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Cannon
John Strasser
Ann Stacey Wright

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Kevin Lowry

STAFF PRESENT:

Russ Mager, Chief of Police
Lawonda Warren, Public Safety Advisor
Beatrice Screciu, Executive Admin Asst.

STAFF ABSENT:

GUEST OTHERS:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS

Roll call of members present was conducted.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. APPROVAL AND/OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

A motion was made by Mr. John Strasser to approve the agenda, seconded by Ms. Ann Stacey Wright. Said motion passed unanimously.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 12, 2024, MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Strasser to approve minutes of the August 12, 2024, meeting, seconded by Ms. Stacey Wright. Said motion passed unanimously

6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 28, 2024, WORKSHOP MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Strasser to approve minutes of the October 28, 2024, workshop seconded by Ms. Stacey Wright. Said motion passed unanimously

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ms. Janice Hill residing at 309 SW 15th Terrace, Delray Beach, FL 33444, made a comment regarding grants available concerning traffic stop public awareness.

Ms. Michelle Git residing at 1020 citrus way, Apartment 201, Delray Beach, FL 33445 made a comment regarding the Set community and community policing.

Mr. Willie Potts residing at 600 Lindell Blvd. Apt. 107A, Delray Beach, FL 33444, made a comment regarding cold cases in the Set community.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Chief of Police Update

Chief Mager provided the board with an update on Part One crimes.

- There was one homicide in December of 2024.
- There were two sex crimes in January of 2024 and three sex crimes in January of 2025, a 50% increase.
- A total of four robberies in January of 2024 and two robberies in January of 2025, a 50 % decrease.
- A total of 16 aggravated assaults/battery incidents in January of 2024, and 12 in January of 2025, a 25% decrease.
- Overall, persons crime incidents decreased by 22.73%
- A total of 10 burglary incidents in January of 2024, and five burglary incidents in January of 2025, a 50% decrease.
- A total of 130 larceny incidents in January of 2024, and 108 incidents in January of 2025, a 16.92% decrease.
- A total of 21 vehicle theft incidents in January of 2024, and seven vehicle incidents in January of 2025, a 66.67% decrease.
- Overall, the property crime incidents decreased by 25.47.
- Overall, a decrease of 25.14% for both persons and property crimes.

B. County vs. city year-to-date crime statistics

Chief Mager provided the board with a county vs. city year-to-date crime statistics. The comparison included data from Boynton Beach, Boca Raton and Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office law enforcement agencies.

Chief Mager provided members of the board with a brief overview of the Internal Affairs Monthly report for January 2025. One internal affairs investigation was initiated for the month of January.

Current and previous year comparison of Supervisory Review and Internal Affairs cases initiated:

- Cases opened January 1, 2025 – January 31, 2025 = 1
1 internally and 0 externally initiated
- Cases opened January 1, 2024 – January 31, 2024 = 1
1 internally and 0 externally initiated

For the month of January 2025, there were three Merit Reviews initiated.

9. DISCUSSION CONCERNING NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Mr. Strasser made a motion to request additional meetings from City Manager Terrence Moore if the Police Advisory Board continues. Said motion was seconded by Ms. Stacey Wright. Topics to discuss during the meeting will include cold cases in the Set community and a Volunteer Program Overview.

10. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Cannon brought up staffing levels and promotions at the police department. Ms. Stacey Wright made a comment regarding community policing.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 06:46 p.m.

Beatrice Screciu, Executive Administrative Assistant/Board Liaison

The undersigned is the Secretary of the Police Advisory Board and the information provided herein are the minutes of the meeting of said Police Advisory Board of February 10, 2025, which minutes were formally approved and adopted by the Board on May 12, 2025.

ATTEST:

CHAIR

Beatrice Screciu, Exec. Admin. Assistant/Board Liaison

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