POLICE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2020 5:30 P.M. CITY HALL FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Stacy Beaulieu- Fawcett Nancy Chanin Kelli Freeman Ron Gilinsky Peter Sclafani Michael Caruso Alexander Christopher Robert Safranski

STAFF PRESENT:

Susan Sikich

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Javaro A. Sims, Police Chief Lawonda Warren, Police Legal Advisor Beatrice Screciu, Executive Administrative Assistant

GUEST OTHERS:

None

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. CALL TO ORDER:

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

3. INTRODUCTIONS:

None.

4. APPROVAL AND/OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Mr. Gilinsky, seconded by Mr. Peter Sclafani. Said motion passed unanimously.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF JULY 8, 2019:

A revision was made to the spelling of Mr. Safranski's last name. Mr. Sclafani made a motion to approve the minutes from July 8, 2019 with the necessary correction, seconded by Ms. Nancy Chanin. Said motion passed unanimously.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Chief Sims' Update:

Chief Sims provided members of the board with a spreadsheet containing a monthly combined comparison on 2019 overdoses. There were 50 overdoses during the month of December, the highest in 2019. Chief Sims noted that the drug of choice remains to be heroin.

Members of the board had a brief discussion regarding the number of calls for service for the calendar year. Chief Sims also provided and discussed Part 1 crime statistics for 2019, which decreased by 6.80%.

Chief Sims discussed upcoming events in the community and advised board members that the Police Department will continue to focus on community outreach and hosting POP-UP PD events. In the upcoming months, a forum will be organized and hosted with a panel made of local chiefs, attorneys and key representatives. Some of the topics of discussion will be use of force, stand your ground, traffic stops, etc. A second Training Day session will also be organized and hosted by the Police Department.

B. Letter of Homeowner Association

Due to the cancellation of last meeting, the letter has been updated and will be sent out to homeowners' associations requesting ideas, feedback and concerns regarding the agency to be submitted to the board, which serves as a liaison between the community and the Delray Beach Police Department. An updated list of the homeowners' associations will be requested for the distribution of the letter.

7. NEW BUSINESS

None

8. DISCUSSION CONCERNING NEXT MEETING AGENDA:

9. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS/STAFF:

Ms. Freeman thanked Capt. Crane-Baker, Sergeants Gary Ferreri and Rachel Van Ness for their willingness to assist when requested and being responsive. It was noted that the school zone sign posted westbound on Lake Ida Road in front of Spady Elementary is not noticeable due to vegetation. A discussion ensued regarding the agreement with Ring, which Police Legal Advisor advised the board that the terms of the agreement were not able to be agreed upon. Board also discussed trucks on Atlantic Avenue in the downtown area. Chief Sims advised that enforcement is being conducted and officers are educating violators which has reduced the issue of trucks in the area.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Ms. Sikich declared the meeting adjourned at 06:09 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 January 13, 2020, which minutes were formally approved and adopted by the Board on March 9, 2020.
ATTEST:
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