



ROCK ISLAND
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Police Community Relations Commission Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 17th, 2023
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Rock Island Police Community Room, 1212 5th Avenue Rock Island, IL 61201

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Carlos Jimenez	X	Adriana Blanco	X
Chris Dunn	X	Cody Eliff	X
Jessica Kirkpatrick*	X	Brieanne Lonergan*	X
Courtney Martin		Bill Sowards	
Jennifer Pendleton		Rodney Thomas	X

Also in attendance:

- Lt. James Morris

*** Jessica and Brieanne attended remotely.

1. Public Comment – Ashley Harris spoke on behalf of the CCC and explained their services which included fundraising and helping to find grants.
2. Approve/Accept Meeting Minutes:
 - A motion was made and seconded to approve the meeting minutes from the November 15th, 2022 meeting. The motion was passed by members present.
3. New Business
 - a. Rodney Thomas introduces himself to the group as a new Commission member. There are still two open seats on the Commission that need to be filled. Rodney was told of the OMA requirements for new members and how to complete them.
 - b. Jessica informed everyone that due to work and personal responsibilities, she would not be interested in returning to the Chairperson role. Chris volunteered to be the Vice-Chair, however no one came forward for the Chairperson role. A motion was made and passed by members present that Jessica remain as the Chairperson until next month's meeting. Assigning the various positions were then tabled until next month's meeting. There was discussion amongst the members about the Commissioner's responsibilities and that the City has been less than helpful when approached and that the members are not getting answers to their questions and requests.
 - c. A motion was made and passed by members present to set the 2023 meetings to be the 3rd Tuesday of every month to start at 5:30pm at the Marin Luther King Center.



- d. A representative from the Moline Children and Family Services gave a presentation explaining the services that they can provide.

Jessica left the meeting at 7:30pm, at which point there was no longer a quorum. The remaining member discussed several items but did not make any motions or take any votes. A sample complaint form was discussed and looked at. Commissioner Eliff shared information about speaking with staff at Western University. A program was discussed that transfers mental health calls to professionals. The Commissioners further discussed a social media platform for the commission as well as figuring out how to process emails and how to pick an official complaint form.

Other items discussed included requesting a change in the number of commissioners, requesting funding from the City for the Commission, and the Commission making official t-shirts to help advertise. The members also discussed getting clearer wording from the City on what exactly the Commission is supposed to be doing. The members also discussed requesting staff from the City to help with administrative work.

4. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.


Commission Chair, Jessica Kirkpatrick