

CITY OF LOCKPORT
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING – OFFICIAL RECORD

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Monday, June 6th, 2022 - 5:30pm

Present: Commissioners Brown, Devine, Hawkins, Mullane, Patterson. Also present: Chief Abbott, DCC McGrath, Reporter Ben Joe, City Clerk Oates

- Meeting called to order by Comm. Hawkins at 5:31pm
- Motion by Comm. Brown to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 2nd, 2022, seconded by Comm. Mullane. Ayes 3

-Commissioners Devine and Patterson joined the meeting at the beginning of Chief Abbott's report.

-Commissioner Hawkins requested that Chief Abbott provide an update on recent vehicle-pedestrian accidents in the city. Chief Abbott said the drivers from the pedestrian fatality on March 18th on Transit at High were arrested after being indicted through a grand jury. He said the fatal accident on Transit near Nichols Street on May 5th is still under investigation, as is the accident on Pine Street. Chief Abbott also briefly discussed a recent shots fired incident on Orchard Street.

Chief's Report:

- Commissioners were briefed and their questions answered regarding LPD's Emergency Response Plan. The department recently conducted a joint presentation with the FBI on school safety. Every LPD officer now has a key fob to access locked school doors. Over the past few months, LPD has been planning a live exercise drill to respond to an active shooter. Target date is late August/early September. Drill will be held with several other law enforcement agencies and multiple jurisdictions, and will probably be held at the high school. Chief Abbott said a drill should be held at least once a year, and it might be done quarterly or semi-annually if it is not cost prohibitive. Live training is the best way for LPD to be prepared.

- Financials-there was a slight increase in overtime; two officers are on FMLA
- COVID-no one in the department is out with COVID
- New hires-three just finished field training and are on the road and doing well
- 911 System-now operational and working well with no issues
- Emergency Medical Dispatch-being implemented the end of this month
- Accreditation-the department is now officially accredited and certified through July, 2027. Officers Nevins and Jones accepted the award on LPD's behalf
- CompStat Report-there were four overdoses, but no fatalities. There were 1,527 calls for service, 168 case reports, 40 arrests and 31 warrants issued
- Comm. Hawkins inquired about the Patrolman Exam for Civil Service and Chief Abbott confirmed it is scheduled for September 17th
- Officer Bermudez has been doing a good job promoting LPD on social media, including assisting with recruiting
- Junior Police Academy-back in August with Officer Snyder in charge

6:20pm: Motion by Comm. Mullane to adjourn. Seconded by Comm. Brown.
Ayes 5

The next scheduled meeting of the City of Lockport Board of Police Commissioners is Tuesday, July 5, 2022 at 5:30pm

Respectfully,
Paul K. Oates
City Clerk

CC: Police Board, Chief Abbott, Mayor Roman, Common Council and Corporation Counsel