# SUMMARY MINUTES FOR THE POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

## January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Chairperson Greg Rubel called the Police Community Relations Committee meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., at Greenville City Hall, Greenville, NC.

### **INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Chairperson Greg Rubel asked for roll call.

<u>Committee members present:</u> Greg Rubel, Chairperson, District 3 Carol Ann Bass, District 5 Scott Snyder, District 4 Gregory Barrett, District 1 Dr. Louis Warren, At-Large

<u>City Staff Members present:</u> Donald K. Phillips, Assistant City attorney Sgt. Dale Mills Billie Jo Viverette

#### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Chairperson Greg Rubel asked for a motion for approval of the agenda. Scott Snyder made a motion; seconded by Louis Warren. The agenda was unanimously approved.

# **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Chairperson Greg Rubel stated that there was one correction to be made. He stated that Dr. Louis Warren needed to be changed from Mayoral to At-large. He then asked for a motion for approval of the amended minutes. Scott Snyder made the motion; Gregory Barrett seconded the motion.

#### New Business

None

#### **Old Business**

Greg stated that the old business is to continue discussing the plans for the 2019 meetings; topics and locations.

Donald Phillips informed everyone that he found out from doing some research that according to policy the meetings can be held anywhere that has reasonable accommodations for the

public. He stated so it is possible to have meetings in restaurants or other public establishments.

Greg stated that he was doing the February meeting at City Council Chambers. He stated that he public would be invited to discuss Greenville Police Department policy. He encouraged everyone to go online and the policy before the meeting. Sgt. Mills suggested have Chief Holtzman's secretary to email policy updates as they are included in policy.

Greg discuss the meeting topic in March would be Verbal De-escalation; steps that a citizen should take after filing a police report. It was decided to have the meeting at the Barnes-Taft building north of the river. Carol Ann and Gregory agreed to work on preparing this meeting together.

Gregory discussed the progress and contacts he has made in preparing for his meeting on April 9<sup>th</sup>. He talked about how the main focus would be the recovery process for an individual after they're arrested. He discussed the need to inform individuals about the process of rehabilitation and recovery after being arrested for crimes and how to help them become productive citizens for communities. The meeting will be at the Moyewood Community Center and he has representatives from different agencies coming to speak.

Carol Ann stated that she will be doing the topic Neighborhood policing. The meeting will be on May 14<sup>th</sup> but she said she is still searching for a location.

Dr. Warren stated that he will be doing the meeting on June 11<sup>th</sup> and that the topic will be Center City Safety. Greg stated that he could reserve the meeting for him at St. Paul's church.

There are no meetings during the months of July and August.

Scott Snyder stated he will be doing the September 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. The topic will be Telecommunications; a presentation on what the telecommunicators at the Police Department do and how they do it. Sgt. Mills stated that he needed to make contact with Virginia Bridwell, Supervisor of the telecommunicators. Sgt. Mills stated that Mrs. Bridwell could also give a tour of the telecommunications room.

Sgt. Mills told Greg that he needs to prepare a report on the Police Community Relations Committee and that he needs to present it to City Council during the April 8<sup>th</sup> council meeting.

A motion was made by Carol Ann to adjourn the meeting; second was given by Gregory Barrett.