



CITIZEN REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

Community Oversight of Portland Police Bureau

City of Portland / City Auditor
Independent Police Review (IPR)
Citizen Review Committee (CRC)

Minutes

Date: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 (meetings are typically held the first Wednesday of each month)

Time: 5:30 pm * *Please Note: agenda times are approximate*

Location: **Room C, Portland Building**. 1120 SW 5th Ave. Portland, OR 97204

Present: Michael Luna, Jim Young, Julie Ramos, Kristin Malone, Mae Wilson Pfeil, Kiosha Ford, Roberto Rivera, Constantin Severe, Eric Terrell, Dan Handelman, Regina Hannon, Michael Meo, Celeste and Hershel Soles, Matt Klug, Carol Cushman, Debbie Aiona, Pamela Fitzlimmons, Crystal Elinski, David Davis

AGENDA

5:30 pm—5:45 pm Introductions and Welcome (CRC Chair Kristin Malone)

- Auditor Hull-Caballero apologized to the Committee for what happened on March 30

5:45 pm—6:45 pm **Appeal Hearing: 2015-C-0104/ 2015-X-0002**

Appellant alleged that Sergeant A and Officer B used inappropriate force while taking him into custody.

- Chair Malone made a comment regarding the absent of Bureau members at tonight's hearing was due to the direction of Acting Chief Henderson
- Several committee members expressed frustrations over Bureau members not showing up tonight since the appellant waited a long time for this appeal
- Ms. Ford made raised a concern on what if Bureau members don't show up at the next meeting
- Director Severe made a comment that the CRC as a body can vote to require IAD, IPR Director, Officer's Commander to appear at the next hearing. If they do not show up, then that would be a violation of PPB Directive
- Mr. Young asked Director Severe if the Bureau received legal advice from City Attorney regarding the decision to not show up
 - IPR and PPB do not share the same counsel. An hour or two before this meeting, IPR received an email from Assistant Chief Henderson about Bureau's decision not to show up tonight and a City Attorney was Cced in it
- Chair Malone read Assistant Chief Henderson's email
- Mr. Young and Ms. Ford would like to have some inputs from the appellant on whether he would like to move the appeal to another date
- Mr. Rivera made a comment that in the past CRC have heard appeal without the present of the appellant
- Ms. Pfeil made comment that the Committee should not try to "appease" the Bureau so they will show up at the meeting
- Chair Malone made a comment that the Bureau would like to continue to push off the hearing so they can continue with the discussion on security situation
- The Appellant made a comment that he would like the Bureau members to present during his appeal hearing
- Mr. Terrell, the Appellant's APA made a comment that it is hugely disrespectful for everyone here at the meeting since Bureau members did not show up. He supports the Committee decision on compelling Bureau members to show up
- Public comments:
 - Mr. West made a comment that he supports the idea of compelling Bureau members to come. At his own hearing, the Officer did not even showing up

- Mr. Meo the police is not abiding the laws according to the OIR report. The City Council should act to compel Bureau members to abide by the laws
- Mr. Soles made a comment that no one died from water being thrown at their face. The Officer should be required to come to CRC appeal instead of the representative
- Mr. Handelman made several comments:
 - CRC should use its authority to compel Bureau members to come to these meetings
 - The new Directive that talks about civilians to observe the police. Rudeness and disrespect are not against the law
 - The Committee should also vote on the Ground Rules at the end of the meeting tonight
- Ms. Hannon made a comment that she doesn't understand why the Police are afraid to come to the meeting since they are allowed to carry guns
 - Mr. Davis made a comment to CRC to compel the involved Officer to show up. Police consistently launch personal attacks and bully activists and journalists
- The Appellant made a comment for the case file summary to be more gender neutral and less accusatory
- Mr. Luna asked Director Severe if the Committee would have to formally make a request to compel involved parties to attend on every appeal
 - The request would've been made specific to the appeal that the Committee would like them to be at
- Chair Malone made a motion to formally request Bureau members to show up at May 4th meeting. This was seconded by Vice Chair Ramos.
 - Mr. Rivera: YES
 - Mr. Young: YES
 - Mr. Luna: YES
 - Ms. Pfeil: YES
 - Vice Chair Ramos: YES
 - Chair Malone: YES
 - Ms. Ford: YES

6:45 pm—7:15 pm Public comment and wrap-up comments by CRC members

- Public comments:
 - Mr. Handelman made several comments:
 - The Committee should send a memo to the Mayor as well since he is the Police's Commissioner
 - He appreciates the Committee willing to discuss about the video taping situation
 - The Appellant made a comment the original lawsuit was reviewed by the City Tort Review Board and the footage of the incident is on his website
 - Ms. Elinski urged the Committee to keep this meeting open to the public since she doesn't have access to the internet and cannot watch the meeting online

7:00 PM

Adjournment

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