

**POLICE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2010 5:30 P.M.  
FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Annette Annechild  
Regine Celestin  
Matthew Hartley  
Victor Kirson  
Jeff Ritter  
Joseph Ingram  
Carl Forrest  
Kevin Warner  
Jason Dollard  
John Jackson  
Samuel Menard

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Brittany Smith

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Police Chief, Anthony Strianese  
Cathy Kozol

**STAFF ABSENT:**

None

**GUEST OTHERS:**

None

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Ms. Annechild, at 5:36 p.m.

**2. INTRODUCTIONS:**

No introductions were made.

**3. APPROVAL AND/OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

Ms. Annechild wanted to add discussion regarding the plaques to the agenda.

Mr. Forrest made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Mr. Jackson. Said motion passed unanimously.

**4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF MARCH 8, 2010:**

Mr. Kirson made a motion to approve the minutes of March 8, 2010, seconded by Mr. Forrest. Said motion passed unanimously.

**5. OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Report From Board Members Regarding Their Beat Assignments**

Mr. Forrest stated that he attended a ride-a-long and enjoyed the experience.

Mr. Hartley said that he has not yet attended a ride-a-long but he did inform the Board members that some residents are not in favor of displaying stickers. They feel that having a sticker may cause disturbances as they may get stopped by a police officer if it is not being displayed.

Chief Strianese stated that the stickers will not increase or decrease their probable cause of reasonable suspicion. However, some residents are not in favor of having them.

Ms. Annechild asked how the Board could be involved in the implementation of the program.

Chief Strianese stated the Board could call the president of the Homeowners Associations.

Mr. Hartley suggested that the Police Advisory Board consult with the Neighborhood Advisory Council.

It was decided that Mr. Hartley would speak with the Neighborhood Advisory Council on the Board's behalf being that he is a current member.

Ms. Kozol suggested each Board member relay the information to their respective Beat.

The Board members were in consensus of Mr. Hartley relaying information regarding the stickers to the Neighborhood Advisory Council on the Board members behalf.

Mr. Dollard stated that he previously attended a ride-a-long. He went on to speak about an issue with people speeding in a gated residential development.

Mr. Kozol stated that a traffic agreement would need to be in place in order for the development to be monitored by an officer for traffic violations.

Mr. Ingram stated that he has been unable to attend a ride-a-long but have communicated with Officer Weatherspoon regarding recent burglaries. Mr. Ingram is home during the days and will monitor the area more efficiently.

Mr. Ritter stated that he is making attempts to attend a ride-a-long and has left a message for Patty Swain at the Police Department. He noted the speeding issue in his development has worsened.

Ms. Kozol stated that traffic regulations can only be enforced if a traffic agreement is in place.

Mr. Kirson spoke of several issues he has had to assist with in his community.

Mr. Warner advised that he attended a ride-a-long and found it beneficial.

Board members spoke of the law regarding someone entering their home without the permission of the homeowner.

Chief Strianese stated that there is no duty to retreat when inside your home.

Ms. Annechild spoke of an email notification alert system possibly being established.

Chief Strianese stated that there are vendors that provide email and text alerts.

Chief Strianese spoke of concerns from a resident named Ms. Willis. Her concerns are being addressed and have been dissipated to the proper personnel. Officer Bauer is addressing her speeding concern.

## **B. Crime Report**

Chief Strianese advised that crime has increased 25% city wide. Most of the increase is in the north end of the City in the Downtown area and are mostly larceny, theft and car burglaries.

Mr. Forrest inquired about the pain clinics.

Chief Strianese stated that a Delray Beach sergeant was assigned to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Task Force (HIDA) implemented specifically for the pain clinics, unlawful MRI facilities and pill mills.

Mr. Ritter stated that Managed Care companies should be contacted to assist in the efforts.

Mr. Hartley stated that there are people with legitimate illnesses that obtain medications and sell them.

Mr. Kirson spoke of a dog attack complaint that was discussed at a recent City Commission meeting.

Ms. Kozol stated that the impounding of dogs or vicious dog complaints are forwarded to the County Animal Control with the exception of dogs on the beach and loose dogs.

Mr. Warner asked if dog attacks are to be reported to the Police Department.

Chief Strianese advised that dog attacks should be reported to the Police Department. He stated that he will discuss this issue at the upcoming staff meeting.

Mr. Hartley stated that there is a guy usually walking with three dogs roaming around in his neighborhood.

Ms. Kozol advised that a police officer would have to see these offenses in order to issue a violation.

Mr. Forrest asked if there was ever a traffic study done which addressed placing a turn signal at the Homewood and Linton Boulevard intersection. He advised that there is a traffic problem at that particular area.

Chief Strianese advised Mr. Forrest to contact Mr. Krejcarek in Engineering.

Mr. Warner addressed his prior concern regarding the traffic light by Atlantic High School. He advised that there is a mechanical problem which Palm Beach County Traffic Operations is aware of.

**C. Discuss Goals For The Police Advisory Board**

No goals were discussed.

**D. Discussion of Plaques For Former Chairpersons**

Chief Strianese stated that he had plaques made for former Chairpersons Charles Ridley and Shelly Weil. Arrangements will be made for the item to be placed on the agenda for the presentation.

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Presentation of criminal activity**

No presentations were made.

**7. DISCUSSION CONCERNING NEXT MEETING AGENDA:**

- Report from Board members regarding their beat assignment
- Crime Report
- Discuss goals for the Police Advisory Board

**8. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS:**

Mr. Hartley asked about neighborhood engagements in an attempt to regenerate the neighborhoods.

Chief Strianese stated that such engagements would need a budget and the City will be cutting back on some events.

Mr. Hartley asked whether or not Board members could be involved in some type of funding event to assist in raising money.

Ms. Kozol stated that the Board was not created to participate in funding events.

Board members spoke about the funding involved in coordinating the Delray Affair.

**9. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, Ms. Annechild, Chairperson, declared the meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

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Venice Cobb, Executive Assistant/Board Liaison

The undersigned is the Secretary of the Police Advisory Board and the information provided herein is the minutes of the meeting of said Police Advisory Board of April 12, 2010, which minutes were formally approved and adopted by the Board on \_\_\_\_\_.

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Venice Cobb, Executive Assistant/Board Liaison

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