



LANSING POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Andy Schor, Mayor

Board of Police Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Lansing Police Department – Headquarters
120 W. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933

The Board of Police Commissioners met in regular session and the meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Vice-Chair Brewster.

Present: Commissioner Members: Bitely, Brewster, Milton, Sheikh-Omar and Watkins. Also present: Chief Robert Backus, Assistant City Attorney Matt Staples and Ruth Grant.

Excused Absence: Vice-Chair Brewster placed a motion to excuse the absence of Commissioners Farhat and Jones from this meeting; seconded by Commissioners Bitely, Watkins and Omar.

By Vote: Yeas: 5
Nays: 0

Unexcused Absence: Commissioner Cotton.

Public Attendees: 2

Roll call was taken and quorum was present.

Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by Vice-Chair Brewster.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None.

Additions To The Agenda: None.

Approval Of Agenda: Vice-Chair Brewster moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Watkins made the motion to approve Commissioners Bitely seconding the motion.

Consent Agenda: Vice-Chair Brewster moved to approval of one agenda item.

- a) Approval of Meeting Minutes: May 20th, 2025

Vice-Chair moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Bitely made the motion with Commissioners Milton and Watkins seconding the motion of the two agenda items.

By Vote:
Yeas: 5
Nays: 0

*Approval of the May Department Reports will be voted on at the July meeting.

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION: Det. Brittany Roberts, FBI Taskforce Officer for Human Trafficking

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT - Chief Robert Backus

LEGAL UPDATE – Assistant City Attorney Matt Staples

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HUMAN RESOURCES – Chief Backus updated.

COMMISSION INVESTIGATOR REPORT: No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Budget – The budget for FY26 has been updated. Budget supervisor is meeting with chiefs for final purchases.
- Government/Community Liaison Committee – No report.
- Awards and Incentives Committee – No report.
- Ad Hoc Committee – No report.
- Citizen Complaint Oversight Committee – The committee met last month. June 26th is the next scheduled meeting.
- Recruitment and Hiring - No report.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS – (Informational)

PUBLIC COMMENT: One public comments.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at: 6:28 pm by Vice Chair Brewster.

Submitted by:
Ruth Grant
Board of Police Commissioners Secretary

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