



BALTIMORE COUNTY POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD MEETING

MEETING #9 – SEPTEMBER 18, 2023 @ 12:00 PM

ROOM 118, HISTORIC COURTHOUSE AND VIA WEBEX

Call to Order:

- Chair Linda Shields called the regular meeting of the Baltimore County Police Accountability Board to Order at 12:02 PM.

Roll Call:

- Peter Fitzpatrick (District 1), Linda Shields (Chair-District 2), Bishop Ralph Dennis (District 3), John Chambers (District 4), Renee Streib (District 5), Scott Richman (District 6), Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer (District 7), Kara White (At-Large), Nigeria Rolling- Ford (At Large) were present Bishop Ralph Dennis, Kara White, John Chambers, and Nigeria Rolling Ford appeared via WebEx.

- Henry Callegary and Kelly La Valley were in attendance from the Baltimore County Administrative Office and Bambi Glenn was in attendance representing the Baltimore County Office of Law. Five members of the public were also in attendance.

Approval of Minutes:

- Peter Fitzpatrick (District 1) moved to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2023 Police Accountability Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Renee Streib (District 5). The motion to adopt the June 26, 2023 meeting minutes was approved unanimously.

Administrative Updates:

- Henry Callegary provided administrative updates. The Baltimore County Council confirmed the nomination of Scott Richman (District 6) and re-nomination Peter Fitzpatrick (District 1) to the Board during their August meeting. A trial board has been requested by a

Maryland agency for November. The Board will meet on October 16, 2023 for the purposes of appointing a member of the public to serve on said trial board.

New Business:

- Baltimore County Chief of Police Robert McCullough presented on his background and the Police Department's role in implementing police accountability in Baltimore County, as well as providing additional information on the Department's goal to reduce lethal use of force. Board members Scott Richman (District 6) and Peter Fitzpatrick (District 1) asked questions about the Department's implementation of body worn cameras and recruitment. The Chief relayed that the Department is focused on ensuring every officer has body worn cameras, with officers working undercover being the only officers in the field without them at present. There is not a public timeline for full implementation of achieving 100% of officers with body worn cameras, but the goal is to get there soon. Recruitment has improved under the Chief's tenure.

- **Administrative Charging Committee Update:** Board member Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer (District 7) is the Chair's designee to serve on the Administrative Charging Committee. She provided updates on the status of the ACC. The ACC met on 6/26, 7/21, 8/18, and 9/15/2023. They have reviewed a total of three investigatory files. Three officers were not administratively charged. Two of those officers were exonerated. None of the files in question dealt with use of force. The next meeting for the Administrative Charging Committee is October 13, 2023 at 1:30 PM in Room 118 of the Baltimore County Historic Courthouse and via WebEx.

- **Annual Report Update:** Coordination Manager Henry Callegary reviewed the purpose of the Board's annual report. Chair Linda Shields asked for volunteers to serve on a drafting committee for the purpose of presenting an initial draft of the annual report to the Board at the November meeting. Henry Callegary will provide administrative support. Peter Fitzpatrick (District 1) asked if members would be able to provide policy recommendations if they were not on the drafting committee. Mr. Callegary confirmed that they would.

- Renee Streib (District 5) moved to appoint Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer (District 7), Kara White (At-Large), and Chair Linda Shields (District 2) to the drafting committee. Scott Richman (District 6) seconded the motion. The motion to appoint the members to the drafting committee was approved unanimously.

Old Business:

- There was no old business.

Events in the Community:

- There are no upcoming events in the community which Board members plan on presenting at.

Public Comment:

- Cindy Farquhar asked questions of the Board regarding reporting on how many members of the public are in attendance for each meeting, as well as encouraging transparency of the Board and Administrative Charging Committee. She also encouraged broader outreach into the community to ensure that the Board reflects the groups most impacted by police misconduct.

Closed Session:

- Peter Fitzpatrick (District 1) moved to go into closed session to seek advice from counsel. Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer (District 7) seconded the motion. The motion to enter closed session was approved unanimously.

Adjournment:

- At 1:31 the Board re-entered open session.
- At 1:34 p.m. Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer (District 1) moved to adjourn the Police Accountability Board. Peter Fitzgerald seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was approved unanimously.
- The next meeting of the Baltimore County Police Accountability Board will be on October 16, 2023 at 12:00 PM in Room 118 of the Historic Courthouse, and via Webex.