

DRAFT
Northampton Policing Review Commission:
Full Commission Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 16, 2021

6:00PM

Remote Meeting

Join the Remote Meeting:

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1. Call to Order
 - Announcement of Zoom Recording
 - Roll Call
 - Approval of Meeting Minutes
2. Public comment (15 minutes)
3. Discussion topic: Edits and comments on final report.
4. Adjourn

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Cynthia Suopis at 6:02 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ZOOM RECORDING

Noa Coffey-Moore made an announcement that this meeting was being recorded for the public record and would be available on Northampton Open Media, as well as, the City of Northampton website.

Commissioner Booker Bush Present
Commissioner Dan Cannity (co-chair) Present
Commissioner Nick Fleisher Present

Commissioner David Hoose Present
Commissioner Alex Jarrett Present
Commissioner Javier Luengo-Garrido Present
Commissioner Nnamdi Pole Present
Commissioner Michael Quinlan Present
Commissioner Josey Rosales Present
Commissioner Cynthia Suopis Present
Commissioner Carol Owen Present
Commissioner Elizabeth Barajas-Roman Arrived at 6:18pm

Approval of the Minutes from March 9, 2021 and March 12,2021

Commissioner Cynthia Suopis noted the minutes from March 9th and March 12th, 2021 are shorter than normal and don't have the same length and detail the commission is used to. She noted Noa checked in with the city to make sure it was okay to shorten them, and that they are approvable if the commission chooses to do so. She explained that the reason for having shorter minutes is to clear the deck of minutes.

Commissioner Alex Jarrett asked whether the minutes would be lengthened at a different date.

Administrative Assistant Noa said the hope is the minutes will be this short moving forward so the minutes can be finished in a timely manner.

Commissioner Alex Jarrett noted that the recordings are a good record and he feels satisfied.

Commissioner Nick Fleisher made a motion to approve the minutes from March 9th and March 12th. Commissioner Dan Cannity seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Public comment (15 minutes)

Ashwin Ravikumar
Robert Eastman
Alisa Klein
Rye Buckley
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2. Discussion topic: Edits and comments on final report.

Commissioner Cynthia Suopis noted they have been invited by City Council to join a joint meeting on March 30th to give a presentation of the final report at 6pm.

Commissioner Cynthia Suopis suggested working through the document and asking commissioners if there's anything they disagree with.

Commissioner Alex Jarrett said he made a whole list of edits, most of which are minor copy edits if the chairs would like to review it. He noted Page 14 where it says funding allocations could also come from revenue generated by current policing practices. He said the city currently takes in around \$1 million per year from detail pay, which is added to the general fund, and in turn flows into the stabilization fund so that statement be true, but he said he would argue that it's presently allocated for existing services, so if we use this for another service would require a cut somewhere else. He said he would prefer that this be removed.

Commissioner David Hoose said he finds two things that are lacking from this version of the report. He said he thinks the commission has to tell the City Council how they're going to pay for this. He said he doesn't think it's adequate to just say, well, yes it's going to cost money you'll have to figure it out. He said in a year that money should henceforth be earmarked towards the new department of community care.

Commissioner Elizabeth Barajas-Roman said people are interested in the urgency of this. She said the commission has already spent this amount of time going through and offering a thoughtful process for these recommendations. She said the other piece around kind of what happens after this report, it's also important to realize that the power that the commission doesn't have around this report, and to think about what needs to happen outside of this Commission and the organizing in the Community that needs to happen to move counselors to do what they need to do.

The commissioners edit the final report.

The Commissioners voted to approve the final draft of the final report. The motion to approve the final report passes

and Dan license to give scribner edits. (all except David not present)

Commissioner Cynthia reminded the commissioners about the presentation on March 30th and to send personal testimony to her and Dan.

Commissioner Dan Cannity proposed a meeting to discuss what the commission would like to present on March 30th. He proposed another Full Commission meeting March 23rd.

Commissioner Booker Bush motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Javier Luengo-Garrido moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm. The motion adjourn is passed unanimously.