



Police Citizens Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the Police Citizens Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at Brenham Police Department Training Room, 1800 Longwood Drive, Brenham, Texas.

Members present:

Whitney Hooks, JW Clampitte, Al Patel, Courtney Mason, Neal Pieper, Holly Johnson, Phyllis McMahon, Bridgit Williams, David Romo

Members Absent:

Brian Ross, Matt Sweeney, Andi Liner, Jesse Vela

Staff in attendance:

Asst. Chief Lloyd Powell, Lt. Kelvin Raven, Lt. Curtiss Schoen, Christi Korth

1. Call Meeting to Order

The Police Citizens Advisory Board meeting was called to order by Holly Johnson; seconded by Whitney Hooks.

2. Citizen/Visitor Comments

No citizens present or visitor comments.

3. Approve the Minutes from the February 13, 2024, Brenham Police Department Citizens Advisory Board Meeting

Neal Pieper made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 13, 2024, Brenham Police Department Citizens Advisory Board Meeting; Al Patel seconded the motion.

Neal Pieper called for a vote to approve minutes:

Chairman Brian Ross	Absent
Vice Chair Pastor Matt Sweeney	Absent
Board Member Neal Pieper	Yes
Board Member Phillis McMahon	Yes
Board Member Whitney Hooks	Yes
Board Member Alpesh Patel	Yes
Board Member JW Clampitte	Yes
Board Member Andrea Liner	Absent
Board Member Jesse Vela	Absent
Board Member Courtney Mason	Yes
Board Member Holly Johnson	Yes
Board Member Bridgit Williams	Yes
Board Member David Romo	Yes

WORK SESSION

4. Introduction of Newly Appointed CAB Members

New Citizen Advisory Board Members, Bridgit Williams and Davis Romo, were introduced by Interim Chief Powell.

5. Discussion and Update on Police Staffing/Training

The department was fully staffed for two weeks. Two noncommissioned individuals have started at the Bryan Academy. One spot has also been approved for the TEEX Academy. The department should be fully staffed by October. Powell explained that is extremely difficult to compete with the larger cities such as Houston, Austin, College Station, etc. to find good candidates. We want homegrown, local candidates; want to focus on people who live in Brenham; want to recruit from the individuals raised here.

6. Discussion of Current Events

There has been a plethora of stolen vehicles, mainly Hyundai's and Kia's-a lot is based upon the TikTok video challenge. There was an officer who saw a stolen vehicle; a chase ensued, which led to both vehicles crashing, then a foot chase. The suspect was eventually caught. One way of stealing vehicles is using phone chargers to get into the steering column to jump start the car.

Everyone was also warned not to leave anything of value in their cars unattended – firearms, computer, purse, phone, etc.

7. Discussion of Interim Chief Powell's Assignment

Powell explained that Interim Chief is a step above Acting Chief. As of right now, Leadership is not looking for a Police Chief. He is not looking to change anything right now; the only thing that he does want to change is the department mission statement. Would like it to mean something yet be short; one sentence. This is the first time in over fifty years a chief from internal will be running the department.

Staff liaison Christi Korth announced the next CAB meeting will take place June 11, 2024.

ADJOURN

There being no further business Holly Johnson called for the meeting to adjourn; seconded by Phyllis McMahon.

Brian Ross

Chairman

ATTEST:

Christi Korth

Board Liaison