



**CITY OF SYRACUSE COMMON COUNCIL**

**PAMELA J. HUNTER**  
**Councillor-at-Large**

**Minutes of the CRB Board of Directors Meeting of October 18, 2011**

**Board Members Present:** D'Vonne Bowman, Crystal Collette, Carole Horan, Jarrod Bentley, Lou Levine, Donna Oppeddsiano

**Board Members Excused:** Sarah McIlvain

**Board Members Absent:** Demetria Gammage

**Meeting Facilitated By:** Councillor-at-Large Pamela Hunter, Public Safety Committee Chair

**Public Attendees:** Councilors Nader Maroun and Jean Kessner, Barrie Gewanter

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The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 5:44 PM by Pamela Hunter.

Board meetings will start at 5:30PM. Uninvited guests will not be engaged during Board Meetings unless there is time at the end of the meeting.

**INTRODUCTIONS/POLICE INTERACTION**

Roundtable introduction of each Member, the section of the city they reside and any interaction they've had with the police or perceptions they've heard about police interaction.

Confidentiality forms will be distributed to Board members. A contact list was requested for all Board members that include the term dates.

Suggested meeting dates going forward change to Tuesday or Thursday evenings. A majority of the attendees recommended the Thursday evening meeting date. The calendar of meeting dates for 2012 will reflect this change.

## **COMMITTEES**

Three committees were offered for Board Members to participate in. While they aren't to be the only committees, currently, these will be the active committee.

It was communicated that the committees should meet and come up with a draft 2012 Committee Plan by years end, that can be introduced and voted on at the January meeting.

### **CRB Administrator Search Committee**

D'Vonne Bowman  
Crystal Collette  
Jarrod Bentley  
Donna Oppedisano  
Lou Levine

### **Community & Youth Engagement Committee**

Jarrod Bentley  
Crystal Collette

### **Board Training Committee**

Donna Oppedisano  
Carole Horan  
Lou Levine

## **BOARD CHAIR IDENTIFICATION**

Per the CRB ordinance, the Board will elect it's Chair, by majority vote for a one year term, with no individual serving more than two consecutive terms as Chair.

It was communicated that if a member is interested in becoming Board Chair they send notification in writing of their interest to Pam.

## **NOVEMBER 2011 MEETING**

The meeting will be held on November 21 at 5:30PM at a location to be determined. The meeting will not be an open meeting/board meeting, this will be a training meeting on use of force facilitated by SPD.

## **MEETING LOCATIONS**

Five meetings during the calendar year are required to be held in each of the five city council districts. Meetings not held “off site” will be held in a conference room at city hall commons.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

It was communicated by Pam that the CRB Legislative Advisory Committee has been meeting regularly and that recommended amendment changes will be done soon. The process after the changes are complete is for Pam to introduce the amended legislation to the full City Council, by which it will subsequently vote.

Conversation ensued relative to the notice of claim filed by the prior administrator and activities by the previous Board Members relative to open cases. There was no information disseminated relative to the notice of claim or about any open cases prior Board Members had been reviewing. Pam informed the Board Members that she would research the information about both and report at the next meeting. The NYS Comptroller’s office is still conducting its investigation of the CRB. We have not received any findings to date.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.