

**MINUTES
CITY OF DEKALB
CITIZEN POLICE REVIEW BOARD
February 13, 2023**

The Citizen Police Review Board (CPRB) of the City of DeKalb, Illinois, convened on February 13, 2023, at the DeKalb Police Department, 700 W. Lincoln Highway, DeKalb, Illinois.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Maurice McDavid called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Board Secretary Melissa Neblock called the roll, and the following members of the CPRB were present: Justin Carlson, Maurice McDavid, Kate Noreiko, Veronica Origel, and John Walker.

Others in attendance included Deputy Police Chief Jason Leverton.

B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Ms. Noreiko moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Mr. Walker.

VOTE: Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote of the CPRB members present.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. January 19, 2023

MOTION: Ms. Noreiko moved to approve the minutes; seconded by Mr. Walker.

VOTE: Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote of the CPRB members present.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no speaker request forms submitted.

E. CHAIRMAN UPDATE

Mr. McDavid wanted to share with the board that the complainant from 23CPRB01 had not returned his emails asking for more information on the complaint. Mr. Walker addressed the board regarding the numerous phone calls and voicemails that have been left for him on his personal number and the board secretary from a citizen. The board secretary noted that every voicemail that has been left for her has been forwarded to the board for review. Mr. Walker would like the board to send him a letter in the mail, certified, to explain to him that oral complaints cannot be accepted. Mr. McDavid said he would send a with the ordinance and explain the ways complaints can be accepted. Mr. McDavid also shared with the board that he returned a call to the citizen and left a message. Ms. Noreiko expressed her concern for the board's physical safety after listening to the numerous voicemails that had been passed on to the board. Mr. Walker said that he told this citizen that he could attend a meeting to make a complaint, but the citizen did not want to. Mr. McDavid discussed alternative spaces that could hold the meeting. Mr. McDavid also said that the board does not have specific meeting dates locked in and if a complaint were to come in

last minute that getting the space could be a problem. He also noted that we have access to the technology and a private room for Executive Sessions at the Police Department.

Brief discussion ensued regarding the location of the meetings.

Mr. Walker shared an issue brought up to him by a citizen regarding the training of the board. The concern was that training was only given by the Police Department. Mr. McDavid said there is a national review board that he would investigate additional training. Mr. Carlson would like to see training from victim's groups. Ms. Noreiko suggested Safe Passage.

Mr. Walker shared an issue brought up to him by a citizen regarding speaking during public participation. He said it was not specific to this board but in general for meetings within the city. Mr. McDavid stated that the 3-minute time limit was part of the Open Meetings Act.

Mr. Walker shared an issue brought up to him by a citizen regarding the background information on the Agenda. Mr. McDavid discussed that the Open Meetings Act says that you should not post public information on the agenda, or in an agenda packet however if you must private and personal information should be removed.

Brief discussion ensued regarding the privacy of the complainants.

Mr. McDavid wanted to address the publicity of the board. Mr. Walker said that he would reach out to the radio station to set up another time for the board to go on the radio. Mr. McDavid said that he would reach out to the Northern Star to see if they would be interested in publicizing the board to their readers.

F. CASE REVIEW

1. 23CPRB01

Mr. McDavid wanted to share with the board that the complainant from 23CPRB01 had not returned his emails asking for more information on the complaint.

The board took a vote to review the case.

VOTE: McDavid: No, Mr. Walker: No, Mr. Carlson: No, Ms. Origel: No, Ms. Noreiko: No.

The board unanimously decided not to take the case.

2. 23CPRB02

Mr. McDavid asked the board to review complaint 23CPRB02. The board then took the time to read the complaint that was submitted.

Brief discussion ensued regarding the contents of the complaint.

The board took a vote to review the case.

VOTE: McDavid: Yes, Mr. Walker: Yes, Mr. Carlson: Yes, Ms. Origel: Yes, Ms. Noreiko: Yes.

The board unanimously decided to take the case at this time.

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Maurice McDavid read the following Executive Session exemption title in its entirety:

1. The consideration of performance and/or discipline of employees pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).
2. The consideration of security procedures, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, staff, the public, or public property Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/(2)(c)(8).

MOTION: Ms. Noreiko moved to recess for Executive Session; seconded by Ms. Origel.

VOTE: Motion carried by a 5-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Justin Carlson, Maurice McDavid, Kate Noreiko, Veronica Origel, and John Walker. Nay: None. Absent: None. Chair Maurice McDavid declared the motion passed and recessed the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Following adjournment of the Executive Session, Chair Maurice McDavid opened the meeting to the public at 7:38 p.m.

H. DECISION

Mr. McDavid stated that the board reviewed the case and that the board reached a consensus on the complaint. The board's decision was that the complaint was unfounded.

I. APPROVAL RELEASE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

1. 06/09/2022 The board unanimously decided to not release the Executive Session Minutes.

MOTION: Ms. Noreiko moved to not release the minutes; seconded by Mr. Walker.

VOTE: Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote of the CPRB members present.

2. 08/11/2022- The board unanimously decided to not release the Executive Session Minutes.

MOTION: Ms. Noreiko moved to not release the minutes; seconded by Mr. Walker.

VOTE: Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote of the CPRB members present.

J. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting of the CPRB is scheduled for March 9, 2023.

K. Adjournment

MOTION: Ms. Noreiko moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Walker.

VOTE: Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote of the CPRB members present.

Chair McDavida adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Neblock, Board Secretary
Approved: 04/13/2023