



OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS
205 West St. Clair Avenue, Suite 301, Cleveland, Ohio 44113
CIVILIAN POLICE REVIEW BOARD

****ONLINE WEBEX MEETING****

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

MEETING AGENDA

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| I. CALL TO ORDER | Michael Graham, Chair |
| II. ROLL CALL & INTRODUCTIONS | |
| III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES | CPRB |
| IV. PUBLIC COMMENT | |
| V. FOR BOARD VOTE ONLY – NO PRESENTATION | Roger Smith, Administrator |
| VI. ADMINISTRATIVE DISMISSAL APPEAL | Roger Smith, Administrator |
| VII. PRESENTATION OF INVESTIGATIONS | Roger Smith, Administrator
OPS Investigative Staff |
| VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS | |
| IX. OPS REPORT | Roger Smith, Administrator |
| A. REVIEW OF CHIEF DISCIPLINARY DECISIONS | |
| B. REVIEW OF DIRECTOR DISCIPLINARY DECISIONS | |
| X. POLICY UPDATES | Michael Graham, Chair |
| XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS | |
| XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS | |
| XIII. NEW BUSINESS | |
| XIV. ADJOURNMENT | |

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, July 13, 2021, 10:00am



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V: FOR BOARD VOTE ONLY – NO PRESENTATION

COUNT	OPS#	COMPLAINANT	INVESTIGATOR	ALLEGATION	CPRB DISPOSITION
1	21-011	Jones	Funari	Unprofessional Conduct	P.O. Varkonyi #680 Unprofessional Conduct Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____

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VI: ADMINISTRATIVE DISMISSAL APPEAL

COUNT	OPS#	COMPLAINANT	INVESTIGATOR	ALLEGATION	CPRB DISPOSITION
1	20-215	Boone	Wynne	Excessive Force	Unknown Officer Excessive Force Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____



VII: PRESENTATION OF INVESTIGATIONS

COUNT	OPS#	COMPLAINANT	INVESTIGATOR	ALLEGATION	CPRB DISPOSITION
1	19-203	Gottschalt	Wynne	Improper Tow	<p>P.O. Leyva #2415</p> <p>Improper Tow Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p>
2	19-217	Ruiz Velez	Hammons	Improper Search Improper Stop Excessive Force	<p>P.O. Leonardi #1965</p> <p>Improper Search Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p> <p>Improper Stop Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p> <p>P.O. Smiley #1138</p> <p>Improper Search Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p> <p>Improper Stop Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p> <p>Det. Soros #1852</p> <p>Excessive Force Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p> <p>P.O. Gonzalez #2001</p> <p>Excessive Force Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p>



3	20-025	Karim	William-Bennett	Unprofessional Conduct Racial Discrimination	T.C. Shaw #7060 Unprofessional Conduct Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____ Racial Discrimination Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____
4	20-057	Elder	Oliver	Improper Citation Unprofessional Conduct Biased Policing	P.O. Tylka #1772 Improper Citation Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____ Unprofessional Conduct Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____ Biased Policing Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____
5	20-149	Cook	Oliver	Lack of Service	P.O. Longer #2452 Lack of Service Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____
6	20-224	Blatt	Merritt	Unprofessional Conduct	P.O. Rakovec #1695 Unprofessional Conduct Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____



7	20-265	Hayes	Merritt	Unprofessional Conduct	<p>Sgt. Newton #9233</p> <p>Unprofessional Conduct Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p> <p>Dispatcher Washko #105</p> <p>Unprofessional Conduct Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p>
8	21-014	Jewell	Delaney	Lack of Service	<p>P.O. Sheets #1276</p> <p>Lack of Service Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p>



9	21-040	McIntyre	Bowker	<p>Lack of Service – 1st Encounter</p> <p>Lack of Service – 2nd Encounter</p>	<p>P.O. Dwulat #581</p> <p>Lack of Service – 1st Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p> <p>Lack of Service – 2nd Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p> <p>P.O. Cole #517</p> <p>Lack of Service – 1st Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p> <p>Lack of Service – 2nd Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p> <p>Sgt. Lower #9248</p> <p>Lack of Service – 1st Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p> <p>Lack of Service – 2nd Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p>
10	21-058	Blochowiak	Merritt	Unprofessional Conduct	<p>Det. Cunningham #1724</p> <p>Recommendation: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____</p>



IX (A). REVIEW OF CHIEF DISCIPLINARY DECISIONS

COUNT	OPS#	COMPLAINANT	INVESTIGATOR	RECOMMENDATION	CHIEF DECISION
1	20-056	Sikler	Funari	WCS Violation – The CPRB recommended a Group I category for P.O. Jones' #1239 termination of his WCS before his encounter with the parties of the motor vehicle accident concluded, making it unclear if obtained all pertinent information as required for the motor vehicle accident report.	Chief Williams concurred with the CPRB recommendation and issued P.O. Jones a one-day suspension .
2	20-150	Price	Hammons	WCS Violation – the CPRB recommended a Group I category for P.O. Hayden's #600 failure to capture her interaction with a third party who approached her while she was inside of her zone car generating a motor vehicle accident report.	Chief Williams concurred with the CPRB recommendation and issued P.O. Hayden a three-day suspension .
3	20-168	Brown	Hammons	Lack of Service and WCS Violation – the CPRB recommended a Group I category for P.O. Kelley's #1242 failure to generate a theft report for the Complainant and when she failed to activate her WCS for her encounter with the Complainant in the lobby.	Chief Williams concurred with the CPRB recommendation and issued P.O. Kelly a letter of reinstruction for the allegation of Lack of Service and a one-day suspension for the WCS Violation.



IX (B). REVIEW OF DIRECTOR DISCIPLINARY DECISIONS

COUNT	OPS#	COMPLAINANT	INVESTIGATOR	RECOMMENDATION	CHIEF DECISION
1	19-209	Black	Hammons	<p>Excessive Force – The CPRB recommended a Group III category for P.O. Santillo’s #309 use of disproportionate force on the passively resistant Complainant;</p> <p>Improper Stop/Detention, Improper Search/Frisk, Improper Citation, Failure to De-Escalate – the CPRB fa Group II category for P.O. Santillo’s failure to articulate reasonable suspicion when stopped and detained the Complainant in his own home, patted him down because he refused P.O. Santillo’s unlawful order to go inside his home, when P.O. Santillo was untruthful and biased in his instructions to issue a citation that was inconsistent with the Complainant’s behavior, and for escalating the situation between himself and the Complainant;</p> <p>Unprofessional Conduct and WCS Violation – the CPRB recommended a Group I category when P.O. Santillo was rude and discourteous and failed to activate his WCS.</p>	<p>This case was only heard by Director Howard due to the Group III recommendation.</p> <p>Director Howard concurred with the CPRB recommendation and issued P.O. Santillo a twenty-day suspension.</p>



2	20-016	Gubanich	Williams-Bennett	<p>Improper Tow – the CPRB recommended a Group I category for P.O. Holcomb’s #877 failure to observe the contradictory temporary parking signage, resulting in the Complainant’s vehicle being towed after he issued it a citation.</p> <p>Chief Williams dismissed this allegation, citing that P.O. Holcomb was obeying the parking ban in the area.</p>	<p>Director Howard upheld the Chief’s dismissal, citing that the single expired sign was contradicted by several permanent signs banning parking, and that the permanent signs govern and provided citizens with sufficient notice.</p>
3	20-111	Farmer	Delaney	<p>Lack of Service – The CPRB recommended a Group I category for P.O. Sheets #1276 and P.O. Fitchwell’s #134 failure to cite the person who struck the Complainant’s vehicle with citations for leaving the scene of an accident and OVI.</p> <p>Chief Williams dismissed this allegation because the officers were called to the scene more than 2.5 hours after the crash, and the officers were made aware of the time lapse and they lacked probable cause.</p>	<p>Director Howard upheld the Chief’s dismissal, using the same rationale as the Chief.</p>