

January 03, 2024

A meeting of the Kent County Police Accountability Board and members of the Administrative Charging Committee was called to order at 3:00 P.M. with the following present: Barry Byers (Chair), Valerie H. Jones (PAB Administrative Specialist), Thomas Davis, LaMonte Cooke, Shelly Schofield, Bill Dempsey (Chief of Police Rock Hall), Pastor Leon Frison, Ronald Dixon (Chief of Police Chestertown), Steven Linz (Chestertown Police) Nancy Grahamer, Joan Horsey, Dennis Hickman, (Sheriff Kent County), Johnnie A. Jones III, Esq., Pete Landon (Director Kent County OES) and Shelley Heller (County Administrator).

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Barry Byers called the meeting to order. December 6, minutes were read. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed to approve the minutes.

### **RULES AND PROCEDURES**

Chair Barry Byers reiterated the rules and importance of confidentiality within the board.

### **STAFF REPORT**

The Accountability Officer Consultant position was discussed, and is in the hiring processes by Kent County HR.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

No Old Business was discussed.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. The PAB Annual Report was reviewed by the PAB Chair and will be presented at the Commissioners meeting.
2. There was a discussion held regarding holding a mock ACC hearing to familiarize the members with the procedure and requirements of hearings. A suggestion was made for the PAB to concentrate on the purpose of the PAB vs. the ACC, as there is sufficient training (including mock hearings) as part of the ACC training in Sykesville.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

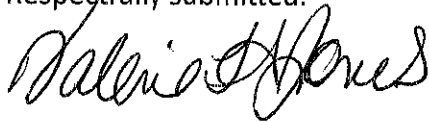
**GOOD OF THE ORDER DISCUSSION**

1. The next PAB meeting is to be held on March 6. Valerie to send meeting requests and reminders.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

A was motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed by all members present to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted.



Valerie H. Jones

Administrative Assistant

Approved:



Barry Byers, Chairperson

Kent County Police Accountability Board

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