

# ***Community Policing Advisory Group***

## ***Meeting Minutes***

May 9, 2016

### **I. Call to order**

Major Jerry Stokes called to order the regular meeting of the Community Policing Advisory Board at 4:30pm on May 9, 2016 at the GLTC Transfer Station.

### **II. Roll call**

Major Jerry Stokes conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Major Swisher, Chief Diaz, Gerald Cheatham, Synda Maynard, Mark Sheehan, Roberta Hargis, James Polk, Christine Kennedy, Billy McBrattney, James Camm, and Gloria Witt.

### **III. Drug Arrest Details**

- a) Major Stokes presented Drug arrest Data.
- b) LPD Records Management System to be upgraded after 7/1/2016 which will improve this type of data gathering.
- c) There was some discussion over consent searches; legal and constitutionality permissible – LPD requires more, officers must have an articulable reasons to ask to search per LPD policy.
- d) There was also some discussion on the effects of Community Engagement on arrests.

### **IV. Recruitment Review**

- a) Major Stokes presented a review of LPD's recruitment initiatives.
- b) The Personal History Statement portion of the hiring process has been moved to after the completion of the written test and it has been explained by LPD employees.
- c) Major Stokes provided updated stats regarding retention of applications through the hiring process. Most recently (5/3/2016) 36 were invited to take the written test, 14 showed up to take the test.
- a) Dr. Camm requests location data for "No Shows" of the written test.

- b) Christine Kennedy also wanted to know what kind of follow-up was made with “No Show” applicants.
- c) Christine Kennedy requests data on LPD Retention on a High School versus College Education level.

## **V. Stratford Road Arrest Administrative Investigation**

- a) Major Stokes provided a review of the Administrative Investigation regarding this incident.
  - a) Lt. Dan Meehan completed the Administrative Investigation
  - b) The review was submitted through the chain of command and professional standards unit on 4/25/2016.
  - c) The findings were that it was a lawful arrest, reasonable force was applied, use of force was deescalated appropriately, and Mandatory Counseling is not recommended, overall finding was the officer’s actions were deemed appropriate and within policy.

## **VI. Adjournment**

Major Jerry Stokes adjourned the meeting at 5:55pm.

Minutes submitted by: Steven Wood

Minutes approved by: JP Stokes