

# *Tri-River Police Training Region*

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## **Tri-River Police Training Region Advisory Board Minutes of May 25, 2022 Meeting**

The May 25, 2022, Tri-River Advisory Board meeting was called to order at 8:33am by Chairman Casey in the Community Room at the Plainfield Police Department, a quorum of members and proxies was established.

### **Members in attendance:**

Chief Shane Casey  
Chief Edward Clark  
Chief Alicia Steffes  
Chief Leanne Chelepis  
Chief Scott Koerner  
Chief Justin Meyer  
Commander Michael Holford for Chief Jeff Wold  
Robert Baikie for Chief Robert Dykstra  
D/C Hilary Davis for Chief Louis Alessandrini  
D/C Ron Huff for Chief Rich Harang  
Chief Phil Arnold  
Commander Anthony Novak for Chief John Konopek  
Sgt. Jason Louthan for I/C Brian Benton  
Sgt. Kris Schrubbe for Chief Mike Rompa  
Scott Heston, ILETSB Representative

### **Members absent:**

Chief Ken Kroll  
Chief Fred Hayes  
Chief Chris Harseim  
Chief William Evans  
Sheriff Mike Kelley  
Chief Joe Mitchell  
Sheriff Ken Briley  
Chief Al Swinford  
Don Gould, Will County Board  
Village of Channahon President Missey Schumacher

### **Others in attendance:**

Bradley Hertzmann, Tri-River, Executive Director  
John Perona, Tri-River, Training Coordinator  
Jeffrey Chapman, ILETSB Representative  
Brennan Woods, Bolingbrook PD

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Chief Arnold made a motion to approve the April 27, 2022, meeting minutes, seconded by Commander Holford and carried by all members present. Motion passed.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

No Report

## **INTRODUCTION OF GUEST:**

Chairman Casey went around the room for introductions and welcomed all to the meeting.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **PERSONNEL:**

No Report

### **FINANCE:**

Director Hertzmann reviewed the Financial Report dated 05/25/2022, a copy was distributed. (Report will be attached to these minutes to be archived)

Highlights:

- One IDOT class held totaling \$4,077.60.
- Three CIT/ SRO classes held totaling \$5,556.91.
- Two HSG classes held totaling \$5,063.57.
- Grant reimbursements: IDOT \$1,500.00; CIT \$3,260.95.
- Other classes held: Basic Evidence Tech. \$4,954.38, Emotional Survival for LE \$7,454.26, The Winning Mind \$5,000.00, 40 hr Truck Enforcement \$6,715.14, Use of Force TTT \$5,000.00.
- Paid (3) Purchase Orders for CPD totaling \$44,539.24.

## **POLICY AND BYLAWS:**

Commander Novak advised that a future committee meeting will be scheduled to discuss bylaws as it relates to Associate Membership.

## **TRAINING:**

No report.

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## **OLD BUSINESS:**

The Board discussed allowing additional associate memberships for FY23. Director Hertzmann stated that if changes to the bylaws, regarding membership, were made, that the best time for those changes would be prior to Membership dues invoices being sent out and money received. Associate members may decide not to renew based on changes.

Director Hertzmann recommended that as a remedy for now, allow an additional number of officers during this year, to be brought to the Board for their approval. Director Hertzmann recommended up to 200 total officers for FY23. This could then be reevaluated throughout the year by the Director and every year based on General Members' ability to attend desired courses when needed. It was agreed that 200 sounded like a good number to go with at this time.

Director Hertzmann mentioned that the departments reaching out for membership have expressed concerns about getting into classes through their current MTU, NEMRT. Jeff Chapman & Scott Heston advised they have been aware of these issues and have been meeting with NEMRT trying to find a resolution for departments not being able to get registered for classes.

D/C Davis asked if Tri-River reaches out to other MTU's or non-member departments when we have openings. Director Hertzmann advised that we currently do not send out notices to departments unless it is through our email notification that people sign up for. Director Hertzmann advised that it may be a good idea to go to other County Chief's Assn. Meetings to let other Departments know that they can come to classes that are offered through our MTU.

The Burbank Police Department request for Associate Membership was tabled from the April 27, 2022, meeting. In addition, The South Suburban College Police Department also contacted Tri-River wishing to become an Associate Member. Burbank Police Dept. has 38 Full-time officers, and South Suburban College Police Department has 8 Full-time and 12 Part-time officers. A motion was made by Chief Meyer, seconded by Robert Baikie, and carried by all members present to approve Associate Memberships for the Burbank Police Department and South Suburban College Police Department. The Motion Passed (H. Davis abstained).

- Burbank PD (38) FT, \$3,800.00
- South Suburban College PD (8) FT, (12) PT, \$1,640.00

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Director Hertzmann advised that Invoices had been sent out to all departments for FY23 Membership Dues. If department numbers have changed from what is invoiced, just make corrections on the invoice sent out. If a new invoice is needed, please contact Jill. Director Hertzmann advised that approximately \$100,000.00 in dues had already been sent in.
- Chairman Casey advised that Deputy Chief John Ferdinando was retiring the end of May, 2022. As a result, the Vice-Chairman position would become vacant and needed to be filled. Chairman Casey advised that Commander Anthony Novak had been nominated and asked for any other nominations. No additional nominations were made. A motion was made by Chief Clark, seconded by D/C Hilary Davis, and carried by all members present to approve Commander Novak as Vice-Chairman of the Tri-River

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Advisory Board. The Motion Passed.

- Director Hertzmann provided the Board with the list of Tentative Dates for Tri-River Advisory Board meetings for FY23. The only modification from meeting on the fourth Wednesday monthly was for November which will meet on November 16, 2022 & December 14, 2022, for the December meeting. The meeting dates were good for all members present. Director Hertzmann will ensure the meeting dates are posted.
  
- Director Hertzmann reviewed the Training Schedule.
  - Director Hertzmann mentioned the following courses:
    - June 15, 2022: IDNR - Explosives Safety, Recognition & Handling Course, (4 enrolled, room for 30)
    - June 20-24, 2022: Vehicle Dynamics, (12 enrolled, room for 20) This course is required before taking Crash Reconstruction 1 & 2 being hosted by Frankfort PD in November 2022 & January 2023.
    - August 1-4, 2022: Drones in Law Enforcement, (10 enrolled, room for 20) trying to focus on Departments wishing to start a program and have a drone.
    - August 4, 2022: Sexual Assault Investigator (room for 40)
    - August 11, 2022, Photography for LE (4 enrolled, room for 20)
    - June 14, 2022: Identifying & Responding to Stalking, (Must register through Lewis University via link)
    - June 8, 2022, SRO training provided through Plainfield PD as an In-Service. Juvenile Law Analysis & Review (3.5 hours), Interviewing Juveniles (3 hours) Covers 2 of the 3 required categories for SRO re-certifications. Register with Sgt. Colin Mulacek at Plainfield PD.

## **May 2022 bills for approval:**

A motion was made by Chief Arnold, seconded by Chief Chelepis, and carried by all members present by roll call to approve May's bills.

Motion passed.

- Total payments \$120,172.76

## **OPEN DISCUSSION:**

- Commander Novak asked Jeff Chapman & Scott Heston a question as to why the Chicago Police Department academy was currently 22 weeks long. He was concerned because Plainfield PD has an officer in that academy currently. Jeff Chapman advised Commander Novak he would provide a contact within CPD for his questions.
- Director Hertzmann advised that he had received an email from ILETSB regarding the Quarterly Board Meeting Scheduled for June 2<sup>nd</sup>, has been rescheduled to Wednesday

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June 1, 2022, at 2:00pm at the Tinley Park Convention Center. He also advised that the MTU Directors would be meeting with ILETSB staff on June 2<sup>nd</sup> in the morning.

- Chief Casey asked Jeff Chapman if there was still discussion about another Basic Academy in the Dixon, IL area. Jeff Chapman advised that there was still only discussion.
- Chief Arnold asked if Armida Baccega, who teaches our Truck Enforcement class was retiring. Director Hertzmann advised that she has discussed retirement which is why we had two instructors for the last Truck Enforcement class, so the new instructor was ready to take over.

## NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE:

The next meeting date is set for June 22, 2022, at our office location at the Plainfield Police Department Community Room, 14300 Coil Plus Drive, Plainfield, IL 60544.

## ADJOURNMENT:

Chief Clark made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Chief Steffes, motion passed. The meeting was adjourned 09:35AM.

Submitted by:

Transcribed by:

Approved through email review on 06/02/2022.



D/C Davis, Secretary, Advisory Board



Bradley Hertzmann, Director, Tri-River