

**PALM BEACH COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION
LAW ENFORCEMENT PLANNING COUNCIL
MINUTES**

Thursday, February 27, 2020 – 9:30 a.m.

**Palm Springs Village Hall
226 Cypress Lane
Palm Springs, FL**

Members Present

Chief Clint Shannon, Vice Chairman, Palm Beach Gardens Police Department
Chief Richard Jenkins, North Palm Beach Police Department
Chief Robert Mangold, Atlantis Police Department
Interim Chief Michele Miuccio, Boca Raton Police Department
Chief Michael Gregory, Boynton Beach Police Department
Chief Ed Allen, Gulf Stream Police Department
Chief Brian Smith, Juno Beach Police Department
Chief Dan Kerr, Jupiter Police Department (Represented by Major Adam Hirsch)
Chief Sean Scheller, Lantana Police Department
Chief Hal Hutchins, Ocean Ridge Police Department
Chief Nicholas Caristo, Palm Beach Police Department (Represented by Captain Joe Guelli)
Chief Thomas A. Ceccarelli, Palm Springs Public Safety Department
Sheriff Ric Bradshaw, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (Represented by Chief Frank DeMario, Commander Law Enforcement Operations)
Frank Mercurio, Resident Agent Supervisor, Florida Department of Law Enforcement
Bill Fraser, Chief Investigator, State Attorney's Office 15th Judicial Circuit
Major Fred Rondeau, Florida Fish & Wildlife Commission (Represented by Keith Clark)
Captain Frank Briganti, Bureau of Insurance Fraud
Thomas Jones, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Sheldon Burkett, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Drug Enforcement Administration
Timothy Donohue, Resident Agent in Charge, U.S. Secret Service

Members Absent

Chief Sean Brammer, Chairman, Florida Atlantic University Police Department
Chief Frank Kitzerow, Palm Beach County School District Police Department
Chief Javaro Sims, Delray Beach Police Department
Chief Craig Hartmann, Highland Beach Police Department
Chief John Pruitt, Jupiter Inlet Colony Police Department
Chief Wes Smith, Lake Clarke Shores Police Department
Chief Carmen Mattox, Manalapan Police Department
Chief Nathan Osgood, Riviera Beach Police Department
Chief Gus Medina, Tequesta Police Department
Chief Frank Adderley, West Palm Beach Police Department
Major Robert Chandler, Florida Highway Patrol
Troy Walker, Special Agent in Charge, Florida Department of Law Enforcement
Captain Juan Torres, Florida Division of Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco
Eric Chan, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Michael Barbercheck, Acting Resident Agent in Charge, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
U.S. Marshals Service
David Brant, Supervisory Special Agent, Internal Revenue Service
Pete Garcia, Federal Security Director, Transportation Security Administration
Angel Belen, Patrol Agent in Charge, U.S. Border Patrol
Chief Robert Crawford, VA Health Administration

Advisory Members Present

Director Rick Rocco, Criminal Justice Institute of Palm Beach State College
 Dr. Wendolyn Sneed, Palm Beach County Chief Medical Examiner (Representative)
 Ellen Cohen, Assistant US Attorney, U.S. Attorney's Office
 Hon. Dave Aronberg, State Attorney, 15th Judicial Circuit
 Shawn Fagan, CJSTC Field Services Specialist, Florida Department of Law Enforcement
 Michelle Johns, Circuit Administrator, Florida Department of Corrections
 Stephanie Tew, Chief Assistant, Attorney General's Office of Statewide Prosecution

Advisory Members Absent

Gregory Starling, Chief Probation Officer, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice

Guests

Ted Gonzales, Director of Business Development, LEX and PBC Chiefs Association
 Assistant Chief Robert Perez, Palm Springs Public Safety Department
 Latronda Hayes, Manager Court Services, Public Safety
 Megan Legall, Crime Analyst, Atlantis Police Department
 Sergeant Bruce Hoffman, Atlantis Police Department
 Ryan Perry, U.S. Border Patrol
 Scott McClure, Ocean Ridge Police Department
 Brian Fernandes, Public Corruption Prosecutor, State Attorney's Office
 Caryle Decruise, Pretrial Services Counselor II
 Stuart Robinson, Director of Investigations, PBC Office of Inspector General
 Lucy Rodriguez, Criminal Intelligence Analyst, Palm Beach Police Department
 Major Spencer Rozier, Riviera Beach Police Department
 Angelique Pickett, Intelligence Led Policing Manager, Boca Raton Police Department
 Assistant Chief Pete Buhr, Boca Raton Police Department
 Commander Tom Mitchell, Lantana Police Department
 Lieutenant John Haseley, Gulf Stream Police Department
 Assistant Chief Dominick Pape, Palm Beach Gardens Police Department
 Assistant Chief Marty Bechtel, Palm Beach Gardens Police Department
 Paul Petrino, Manager of Medical Examiner Operations, PBC Medical Examiners Office
 Heron Ruiz, Forensic Supervisor, PBC Medical Examiners Office
 Cecelia Crouse, PhD, D-ABC Volunteer, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office
 Daniel Villacci, Department of Children and Families
 Major Adam Hirsch, Jupiter Police Department
 Heron Ruiz, Forensic Supervisor, Medical Examiner's Office
 Tawanna Wilson, Criminal Justice Institute of Palm Beach State College
 Jane Scott, Boca Raton Police Department
 Rachel Saunders, Delray Beach Police Department
 Captain Joe Guelli, Palm Beach Police Department
 Lieutenant Kevin Lashells, Department of Investigative and Forensic Services
 Andrea Rocha, Manager- Court Operations, Clerk & Comptroller Palm Beach County
 Brian Fernandes, State Attorney's Office

CJC Staff Present

Kristina Henson, Executive Director
 Damir Kucec, Research and Planning Manager
 Katherine Shover, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst
 Jonathan Hackley, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst
 Brad Allen, Criminal Justice Analyst

- I. Opening comments by Chief Clint Shannon, Vice-Chairman.
- II. Roll Call
- III. Introduction of Guests
- IV. The agenda and minutes were approved by a motion from Chief Richard Jenkins and second by Chief Brian Smith.

V. Business

- a. Kristina Henson announced that she is retiring at the end of May after thirty years of service in the FRS. She mentioned that it was wonderful working with everyone. The members wished her well on her upcoming retirement. Director Henson provided an update on the Fair & Impartial Policing Train the Trainer. The first phase was for those that aren't in law enforcement such as courts and pretrial. A survey will be sent out to determine interest in the FIP training that will be provided by Dr. Lorie Fridell.
- b. Law Enforcement Workgroup Funding Update - Kristina Henson provided an overview of the Youth Violence Prevention Project that was started in 2004 to address youth violence. Captain Mike Wallace, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and Assistant Chief Vanessa Snow, Boynton Beach Police Department are Co-Chairs of the Law Enforcement Workgroup. She noted that the \$20,000 annual allocation from the CJC will continue to be used for DNA testing of firearms.
- c. Vice-Chairman Shannon reported that a meeting was held on February 25th with Professor Jack McDevitt at the West Palm Beach Police Department regarding traffic stops. The meeting included several local Police Chiefs, members of PEACE, and CJC staff. He mentioned that the meeting went well and law enforcement in Palm Beach County are at the forefront of training.

VI. Business

VII. Liaison Updates

- a. **Data Sharing:** No report.
- b. **Community Engagement Team:** Director Henson reported that they are working with Everyday Democracy to get feedback on community engagement. Five sessions will be setup in the Healthier Together communities.
- c. **Recruitment and Retention:** Chief Smith reviewed the attached staffing report.
- d. **Criminal Justice Institute:** Director Rocco reported that flyers are on the counter for upcoming training. He also mentioned that his last day is on March 13th and Joe Tata will be the Interim Director. Vice Chairman Shannon thanked Director Rocco and wished him luck.
- e. **SART:** Report was included in the packet.

- f. **Communications/Interoperability:** Chief Mangold mentioned that they satisfied the direct radio connection between the PSAPs. He also welcomed Tequesta as a recent edition to North Comm.
- g. **State Attorney's Office:** Brian Fernandes advised that CCW cases now have to include a certified letter from the Department of Agriculture. He also provided an update about Marsy's law.
- h. **School Safety:** Director Henson advised that the law enforcement track has been postponed as they are currently working on the behavioral health initiative. The development of the Aware and Care site is underway. It will be a very straightforward site on how to access services. Links will also be provided for the FortifyFL and the Student Protect apps.

VIII. Member/Guest Comments

- a. Director Henson addressed the recent article in the Palm Beach Post about the homeless living in John Prince Park. She advised that Palm Beach County has been trying to handle the issue for months. They are working on an emergency plan to use the old stockade. She noted concern about the misrepresentation by the paper that municipalities were dropping off homeless individuals at the park. Vice-Chairman Shannon mentioned that he was very concerned about this allegation.
- b. Fish & Wildlife will have a training on March 12th regarding the new law that boat owners are required to prove that they have a propulsion device.
- c. Vice-Chairman Shannon mentioned that Palm Beach Gardens is partnering with a national organization to address police suicide. The Blue Help walk will be held on May 16th. Please let him know if you would like to be involved.

IX. Attachments

- a. Palm Beach County's Plan to End the Cycle of Homelessness
- b. Palm Beach Post Article Re: Homelessness
- c. SART Update
- d. Youth Summit Save the Date Flyer
- e. Blue Help Flyer
- f. Recruitment and Retention Survey