

PALM BEACH COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION  
LAW ENFORCEMENT PLANNING COUNCIL

**FINAL SUMMARY MINUTES**

**Thursday, August 2, 2012 – 9:30 a.m.**

Clayton Hutchinson Agricultural Center  
Exhibit Hall "B"  
559 North Military Trail  
West Palm Beach, Florida

**Members Present**

Chief James Kelly, Vice-Chairman  
Chief Dan Alexander  
Chief Matt Immler  
Chief Anthony Strianese  
Chief Garrett Ward  
Chief Craig Hartmann  
Chief Brian Smith  
Chief Frank Kitzerow  
Chief John Stewart  
Chief Sean Scheller  
Chief Carmen Mattox  
Chief Richard Jenkins  
Chief Christopher Yannuzzi  
Chief Stephen Stepp  
Director Kirk Blouin  
Chief Steve Kniffin  
(Represented by Sergeant Dave Kelly)  
Chief Thomas A. Ceccarelli  
Assistant Chief Mary Santos-Olsen  
Sheriff Ric Bradshaw  
(Represented by Chief Deputy Michael Gauger)  
Major Luis Ramil  
(Represented by Captain Warren Fast)  
Michael Driscoll, Resident Agent in Charge  
Mike Waites, Chief Investigator  
Major Carol Owsiany-Himmel  
Steven Burdelski, Senior Supervisory Resident Agent  
Edward (Eddie) Thompson, Assistant Special Agent in Charge  
(Represented by Steve Wunderlich)  
Daniel Dooley, Acting Resident Agent in Charge  
(Represented by Mike Barbercheck)  
Matthew Lynch, Resident Agent in Charge  
George Sanders, Supervisory Special Agent in Charge  
Steven Randerson, Assistant Federal Security Director

**Members Absent**

Chief Clarence Williams III, Chairman  
Chief Robert Mangold  
Director Michael Porath  
Chief Wes Smith  
Chief Roger M. Crane  
Chief Pete Pitocchelli  
Chief Charles Lowe  
Major Jeffrey Hubert

Lieutenant Anthony Stafford  
Dana Morrison, Special Agent Supervisor  
John McKenna, Assistant Special Agent in Charge  
Glen Wilner, Assistant Chief  
Frank Miller, Patrol Agent in Charge

### **Advisory Members Present**

Director Larry Schroeder  
Joni Livingston, FDLE Field Specialist  
Rosalyn Baker, Circuit Administrator  
Julie Hogan, Deputy Statewide Prosecutor  
(Represented by Sarah Willis)

### **Advisory Members Absent**

Dr. Michael Bell  
Rolando Garcia, Deputy Chief  
Hon. Peter Antonacci, State Attorney  
Feirmon Johnson, Chief Probation Officer

### **Guests**

Assistant Chief David Harris, Riviera Beach Police Department  
Josh Lewis, Riviera Beach Police Department  
Lieutenant Hal Hutchins, Ocean Ridge Police Department  
Nicole Bishop, PBC Victim Services  
Sharon Daugherty, PBC Victim Services  
Assistant Chief Michelle Miuccio, Boca Raton Police Department  
Patricia Vazquez, Criminal Justice Coordinator, FL Department of Children and Families  
Assistant Chief Clint Shannon, Palm Beach Gardens Police Department  
Assistant Chief Rick Facchine, Palm Beach Gardens Police Department  
Pat Sheffield, DJJ - JDAI  
Chief Larry Leon, School District of Palm Beach County Police Department  
Deputy Chief Dan Szarszewski, Palm Beach Police Department  
Colonel Jim Stormes, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office  
Commander Pat McCutcheon, School District of Palm Beach County Police Department  
Colonel Ernie Carr, Palm Beach Gardens Police Department  
D. Louis Mitchell, FBI  
Captain Carol Gregg, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office  
Sergeant Dave Kelley, Palm Beach Shores Police Department  
Mike Edmondson, Children's Services Council  
Lieutenant Kelly Harris, Boynton Beach Police Department  
Major Frank Briganti, Boynton Beach Police Department  
Micah Robbins, Palm Beach County Substance Abuse Coalition  
Louis Tomeo, Director of Criminal Court Services, Clerk & Comptroller's Office  
Michelle Spangenberg, Director of Case Management, Court Administration

### **CJC Staff Present**

Katherine Hatos, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst  
Michael Rodriguez, Executive Director

- I. Welcome and opening comments by Chief James Kelly, Vice-Chairman
- II. Roll Call
- III. Introduction of Guests
- IV. Approval and/or additions to the agenda

The August 2, 2012 agenda was approved.

V. Approval of the minutes

The June 7, 2012 minutes were approved.

VI. Presentations

Director Nicole Bishop of Palm Beach County Justice Services & Victim Services recognized the collaborative efforts to produce the Sexual Assault Response Team protocols and video. She also thanked the LEPC for providing the funding to produce the video that will be utilized for training road patrol officers, detectives, and members of the community. Highlights of the presentation include the successful implementation of the Butterfly House with 129 forensic rape exams being performed from January - July 2012. Approximately 60% were completed at the Butterfly House while the other 40% were completed at area hospitals for various reasons such as victim injuries. Mrs. Bishop noted that there haven't been any issues with the SANE nurses collecting forensic evidence at the area hospitals. Sharon Daugherty the grant coordinator that will be setting up training for individual agencies as part of the OVW grant was also introduced.

VII. New Business

Tracking of Race/Ethnicity in Different Agencies and Departments - *Executive Director Mike Rodriguez, Criminal Justice Commission*

Mr. Rodriguez advised that Katherine Hatos will be contacting agencies to determine how each agency tracks race and ethnicity. This is in response to a report prepared for the Criminal Justice Commission at the request of Commissioner Priscilla Taylor.

VIII. Old Business

IX. Committee Reports

- a. Book and Release Committee: No report was presented.
- b. Recruitment and Retention Committee: Chief Yannuzzi presented the quarterly report. He indicated that there have been some issues with how some of the categories such as frozen positions are recorded since the report was expanded to include civilian personnel. There was a discussion concerning how frozen unfunded positions should be recorded. Chief Yannuzzi advised that he will work on addressing these issues for the next report.
- c. Traffic Committee: No report was presented.
- d. Sexual Assault Response Team: No report was presented.
- e. Sex Offender Population: No report was presented.

- f. Court Systems Task Force: No report was presented.

## X. Liaison Updates

- a. Data Sharing: Chief Kitzerow reported on the Board of Directors meeting. They are narrowing in on a vendor for the LEX platform. Chief Alexander will head up the Procurement Committee under the Implementation Team. They are looking for volunteers for this committee. A report should be ready soon. They are also testing and evaluating some new technology for LEX concerning standardizing bulletins. A presentation will be provided at an upcoming LEPC meeting.
- b. Child Abuse Protocol: Chief Strianese reported attendance issues for the June 8<sup>th</sup> Specialist meeting (14 of 32 agencies attended). He encouraged Chiefs to make sure that their representatives are attending. The Specialists are using the Train You system and working on combining the DCF and PBSO databases to reduce duplication. Due to the transition at the State Attorney's Office, he doesn't anticipate that a Grand Jury will be held this year. There wasn't a representative from the State Attorney's Office at the meeting and they haven't received a response yet concerning the Grand Jury date.

No issues were reported with the cases reviewed at the June 8<sup>th</sup> Rapid Response Team (RRT) meeting. However, there were additional cases that had significant issues particularly in terms of failure to notify the RRT or timely RRT notifications. Chief Strianese will contact agencies that are having issues. A placard that can be adjusted in size will be sent out to agencies that can be placed in briefing rooms and duty lieutenants' offices. He also stressed the importance of notifying the RRT timely. An Oversight meeting will be set as soon as they can get a representative from the State Attorney's Office.

- c. Crime Prevention Officers Association: No report was presented.
- d. Criminal Justice Commission (CJC): Chief Stepp highlighted the Palm Beach County Association of Chiefs of Police (PBCACP) letter from Chief Kelly to keep the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) 2002 Resolution for \$12.50 funding intact. A copy of the letter was included in the meeting packet. Chief Stepp made a motion for the LEPC to send a letter of support very similar to what was unanimously voted on by the Chiefs Association to the CJC to maintain the current \$12.50 funding to municipalities based on the BCC Resolution #R2002-0192 in 2002. Chief Kitzerow seconded the motion.

Chief Kitzerow and Chief Smith discussed a recent case in which a man armed with a fully loaded AR-10 assault rifle was loose in a Juno Beach neighborhood. He fired seven rounds at the responding officer and other officers including Jupiter as perimeters were established. Chief Kitzerow responded to the scene and mentioned that all agencies including North Palm

Beach, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, the Eagle, Palm Beach Gardens, Juno, and Jupiter were able to communicate on the same interoperable radio system. He also noted that the system probably saved officers lives as the individual was loose in the neighborhood. Jupiter SWAT with Juno representatives coordinated with the Palm Beach Gardens SWAT team that was also in an armored car and took the individual into custody without incident. They later found 60 rounds and a magazine that were pre-positioned outside. Chief Smith mentioned that not only is the system interoperable, but they used to receive the \$12.50 money when the system wasn't interoperable. Dispatchers had to call by landline to get help from any other municipality and now they are patched in. The motion was unanimously approved.

Vice-Chairman Kelly mentioned that the next Criminal Justice Commission Executive Committee meeting will be held on August 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM on the 12<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Government Center. Mr. Rodriguez advised that the BCC Workshop will be held on August 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 AM. Vice-Chairman Kelly and Chief Stepp mentioned the importance of Chiefs attending the meetings.

- e. Criminal Justice Institute: Director Schroeder advised that graduation will be held later in the month. He also recognized Palm Beach Gardens, Delray, Boca Raton, Boynton Beach, Town of Palm Beach, PBSO, and FHP for assisting with the Dispatcher course as they had to have a place where they could sit consoles and learn how to use the system. Director Schroeder also reported that they are working on getting some new equipment. They were able to get rid of fourteen Olympic Arms 223 that weren't working right with brand new 223 rifles. They are also trying to replace their older Glocks with Gen 4.
- f. High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area: Colonel Stormes attended the Executive Board meeting last month. There was a slight decrease in the budget overall nationally which is divided up between all the HIDTAs, but they didn't get cut. They agreed to have HIDTA provide training in Palm Beach County as it is normally held in Miami or Broward County. Training has been scheduled for August 23<sup>rd</sup> from 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM at the David Farber Training Center in Royal Palm Beach. The morning session will be on bath salts and opiates and the afternoon session will cover criminal interdiction. HIDTA is bringing in their national instructors.
- g. High School Criminal Justice Academies: Circuit Administrator Rosalyn Baker reviewed a report from Captain Price of the Lake Worth High School Criminal Justice Academy. The Sheriff's Office, Keiser University, FBI, DEA, TSA, Border Patrol, Boynton Beach Police Department, and Johnson & Wales University were recognized for providing tours of their facilities. They really appreciate agencies reaching out to their students by having tours, presentations, or donating items to the school.

- h. Communications/Interoperability: Presented under item d.
- i. Juvenile Assessment Center: No report was presented.

#### XI. Training Announcements

- a. Micah Robbins of the Palm Beach County Substance Awareness Coalition provided information about upcoming training that will be provided at the Hanley Center (North) and Children's Services Council (South). The Youth Party Dispersal and Alcohol Vendor Compliance Checks that will be held on 8/24/2012 South Session and 9/7/2012 North Session. The Marijuana Grow House Indicators and Operations training will be held on 9/7/2012 South Session and 9/21/2012 North Session. Classes are free and will be held from 9 AM - 11:30 AM. Flyer was attached to meeting packet.

#### XII. Member Comments

- a. Chief Deputy Michael Gauger, PBSO, inquired about whether DJJ will take over the security for the Juvenile Assessment Center. He mentioned that they received a call from G4S yesterday. Their contract expires at the end of the month and they haven't received any communication. He also mentioned that G4S has done an excellent job and that it will take some extensive training if DJJ is going to provide security. Vice-Chairman Kelly advised that the plan was for DJJ to take over security once everyone gets on site. He will follow-up with Feirmon Johnson.
- b. Major Carol Owsiany-Himmel, Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco (ABT), mentioned that when the shooting occurred at 1<sup>st</sup> and 10 she reached out right way to PBSO and they have been working on any issues. She noted that ABT will be happy to take any issues that agencies don't want to work at a licensed presence whether a convenience store, restaurant, or bar. They don't have to take the lead, but can take the administrative case while agencies work the criminal case. Major Owsiany-Himmel also mentioned that alcohol vendor compliance checks must be performed in a manner approved by the division as ABT is the only agency authorized and empowered to take actions against alcohol licenses. She asked that when agencies are doing compliance checks that they reach out to her or the West Palm office concerning the criteria for pulling a license.
- c. SSRA Steve Burdelski, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) announced that they have a new Supervisor in the office, Lou Mitchell. He runs the Joint Terrorism Task Force.
- d. Chief Dan Alexander recognized Chief Kelly for 20 years of outstanding and dedicated service to the LEPC as past Chairman in 1997 & 1998, Vice-

Chairman in 2012. Vice-Chairman thanked everyone for all the help over the years and friendship. He also introduced his successor Larry Leon.

- e. Circuit Administrator Rosalyn Baker of the FL Department of Corrections shared information concerning a search of a probationer's residence based on a tip. The Probation Officers found marijuana, scale, cash, and high powered ammunition. Probation Officers are able to search a person's residence if they are on probation at any time if there is a suspicion of criminal activity. She asked that agencies please contact their Probation Officers if you feel there is a need to search a probationer's residence or if you believe there is criminal activity going on.

### XIII. Attachments

- a. Red Light Cameras Score a Legal Win, But Other Challenges Loom, Ariel Barkhurst, Sun Sentinel, August 1, 2012 *(on white paper)*
- b. Palm Beach County Substance Awareness Coalition Training *(on blue paper)*
- c. Criminal Justice Institute Update *(on yellow paper)*
- d. Quarterly Staffing Report *(on green paper)*
- e. Palm Beach County Association of Chiefs of Police Letter to Palm Beach County League of Cities *(on salmon paper)*
- f. Warrantless Search Uncovers Drugs, Cash and High Power Ammunition, Rosalyn Baker, Circuit Administrator, Probation and Parole *(on purple paper)*

### XIV. Adjournment