

**Minutes
Police Committee Meeting
Wednesday, March 8, 2023**

The special meeting of the Police Committee was held Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 4:30 P.M. The following were notified of the time, date, and place of the meeting: Chairman Eddie Kitchen, and Members of the Police Committee, the City Staff, and the press. Present at the meeting were the following: Chairman Eddie Kitchen, Council Members: Kindra Brewton-Pompey, Carolyn Wilson, Police Chief Michael Bethea, Captain Phil Mostowski, Interim City Administrator Holly Jackson, City Clerk Felicia Sawyer-Norton.

1. Call Meeting To Order & Welcome: Chairman Eddie Kitchen called the meeting to order and welcomed all present.

2. Disclosure that local media has been informed of meeting pursuant to South Carolina Freedom of Information Act: Chairman Eddie Kitchen stated the local media had been contacted regarding the time, date, and place of the special meeting for Wednesday, March 8, 2023.

Chairman Kitchen read the Civility pledge.

3. Re: Departmental Overview

Chairman Eddie Kitchen went over the Civility Pledge. Council Chairman Kitchen made note of Officer Shane Branch and his recent graduation from the Academy.

Captain Mostowski stated there is a 30 day waiting period from the day you fail a test at the academy before you can return.

Captain Mostowski stated the target date for taking back nights from the County will be the end of April.

Chairman Kitchen asked about advertisement for job openings. Captain Mostowski stated the openings are posted on the City website, facebook, and the sign on Hwy 76.

A spreadsheet of the Police Department staff is attached.

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4. Executive Session:

(a) Personnel

Council Member Kindra Brewton-Pompey made a motion to go into Executive Session. Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn Wilson seconded the motion.

5. Return to Open Session

Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn Wilson made a motion to Return to Open Session. Council Member Kindra Brewton-Pompey seconded the motion.

No action was taken.

Captain Mostowski stated he would be glad to discuss concerns in the department as well as questions that may arise. Mostowski stated his door is always open.

Chairman Eddie Kitchen stated he would like to be included in the hiring board meetings.

6. Adjournment:

Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn Wilson made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Kindra Brewton-Pompey seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Eddie Kitchen, Council Member/Police Committee Chairman

Felicia Sawyer-Norton, Clerk

