# POLICE COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD April 16, 2024

# POLICE COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MEETING - DRAFT April 16, 2024

POLICE COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD: Co-chair Christina Hagestad, Gwendolyn Evans, Dan Maguire and Vince Cuciti
Absent: Chair, Leo Duque, Ron Hoague (Chief); Ta-Tanisha Redditta (Advisor), Jody Kamon (Advisor)
STAFF: Anthony Jackson-Miller (Community Affairs Liaison-Essex Police Department)
ADMINISTRATION: Lt. Rob Kissinger, (EPD)
OTHERS PRESENT: None.

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Co-chair Christina Hagestad called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.

#### 2. AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES

No additions or changes to the Agenda.

#### **3. AGENDA APPROVAL**

Agenda Approved. Minutes from March 19, 2024 were approved.

### 4. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

No members of the public were heard.

#### **5. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**a**. The board welcomed new member of the board Vince Cuciti. Vince, a town resident, was appointed to a two-year term. Welcome Vince!

**b**. Community engagement.

Anthony Jackson-Miller led a discussion focused on community engagement designed to reach the underserved populations in our community. He discussed National Night Out, Coffee with a Cop, Citizen's Academy and Ideal, VT.

- The board determined it would have a presence/booth at the National Night Out held at EHS August 6, 2024.

- Gwendolyn reported on her first class with the Citizen's Academy. She was both informed and challenged and looks forward to the next class!

- Ideal, VT – from the Office of Racial Equity adopted by the Town of Essex. An initiative advancing diversity, equity and inclusion.

*c*. The board continued to develop its work plan. Survey: The board determined it would review the past survey ("Essex Best") to develop a "smart goals plan".

*d*. The board will hear from the Essex Community Justice Center at the next meeting.

*e*. Co-chair Christina Hagestad advised that she attended the Selectboard last evening as two EPD officers were honored for life saving efforts.

#### 6. CONFIRMATION OF TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETINGS AGENDA

The board will hear from the Essex Community Justice Center. The board will continue its Work Plan as well as to continue to monitor the efforts to fill the empty seat on the board.

### 7. ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made and unanimously seconded by the Board. The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted, Dan Maguire CAB Secretary