

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

Thursday, October 28, 2021 - 9:30 a.m.

Meeting was held online via Zoom and in the McEaddy Conference Room

Members Present

Chief Sean Brammer, Chairman, Florida Atlantic University Police Department
Chief Javaro Sims, Vice Chairman, Delray Beach Police Department
Chief Daniel Alexander, PBC School District Police Dept. (Represented by Assistant Chief Regina Price)
Chief Michele Miuccio, Boca Raton Police Department
Chief Ed Allen, Gulf Stream Police Department
Chief Craig Hartmann, Highland Beach Police Department
Chief Sean Scheller, Lantana Police Department
Chief Richard Jones, Ocean Ridge Police Department
Chief Clint Shannon, Palm Beach Gardens Police Dept. (Represented by Assistant Chief Dominick Pape)
Chief Nicholas Caristo, Palm Beach Police Department
Chief Thomas A. Ceccarelli, Palm Springs Public Safety Department
Honorable Sheriff Ric Bradshaw, PBC Sheriff's Office (Represented by Chief Deputy Frank DeMario)
Troy Walker, Special Agent in Charge, Florida Department of Law Enforcement
Eric Jester, Resident Agent in Charge, Florida Department of Law Enforcement
Major Fred Rondeau, Florida Fish & Wildlife Commission
Captain Frank Briganti, Bureau of Insurance Fraud

Members Absent

Chief Richard Jenkins, North Palm Beach Police Department
Chief Robert Mangold, Atlantis Police Department
Chief Michael Gregory, Boynton Beach Police Department
Chief Brian Smith, Juno Beach Police Department
Chief David England, Jupiter 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
Bill Fraser, Chief Investigator, State Attorney's Office 15th Judicial Circuit
Lieutenant Kent Stanton, Florida Division of Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco
Matthew W. Fodor, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Sheldon Burkett, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Drug Enforcement Administration
Eric Chan, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Christopher Orcinolo, Resident Agent in Charge, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
Assistant Chief Deputy Dan Torchia, U.S. Marshals Service
Timothy Donohue, Resident Agent in Charge, U.S. Secret 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

Vincent Morton, Director, Criminal Justice Institute of Palm Beach State College
Dr. Wendolyn Sneed, Palm Beach County Chief Medical Examiner (Represented by Paul Petrino, Manager of Medical Examiner Operations)
Shawn Fagan, CJSTC Field Services Specialist, Florida Department of Law Enforcement
Gregory Starling, Chief Probation Officer, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice
Stephanie Tew, Chief Assistant, Attorney General's Office of Statewide Prosecution
Tony LaCosta, Managing Assistant United States Attorney, U.S. Attorney's Office

Advisory Members Absent

Sivashree Sundaram, Chief: Narcotics and Violent Crimes, U.S. Attorney's Office
Honorable Dave Aronberg, State Attorney, 15th Judicial Circuit
Michelle Johns, Circuit Administrator, Florida Department of Corrections

Guests

Captain John Haseley, Gulf Stream Police Department
Captain Randy Foley, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office
Alexa Lee, M.S., Director of Programs, Palm Beach County Substance Abuse Coalition
Angelique Pickett, Intelligence Led Policing Manager, Boca Raton Police Department
Andrea Rocha, Circuit Criminal Manager
Daniel Svec, Court Administration
Ted Gonzales, Executive Director, Palm Beach County Association of Chiefs' of Police and LEX
Scott Penney, Chief Investigator of the Public Defender's Office
Tara Applebaum, Safety 4 Life Foundation
Marc Freeman, State Attorney's Office
Assistant Chief Marty Bechtel, Palm Beach Gardens Police Department
Captain Michael Hans, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office
Daniel Villacci, Florida Department of Children and Families
Commander Tom Mitchell, Lantana Police Department
Deputy Chief Robin Griffin-Kitzerow, Florida Atlantic University Police Department
Major Christopher Smith, Jupiter Police Department
Miguel Palacios, MDPD and SERDSTF
Tim Eramo, PB Regional Fusion Center representing Edward Thompson
Craig Williams, Chief Assistant State Attorney, State Attorney's Office
Josh Mindick, Boca Raton Police Department
Captain Michael Moschette, Delray Beach Police Department
Al Borges, FDLE MROC
Assistant Special Agent in Charge Felipe Williams, FDLE
Special Agent Supervisor Jim Biddle, FDLE MROC
Special Agent Larry Masterson, FDLE
Greg Kridos, State Attorney's Office
Assistant Chief Michael Madden, Riviera Beach Police Department
Captain Robert Perez, Palm Springs Public Safety Department
Latronda Hayes, Manager Court Services, PBC Public Safety Department
Judge James Martz, Circuit Court Judge

CJC Staff Present

Regenia Herring, Executive Director

Katherine Shover, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst

- I. Opening comments by Chief Sean Brammer, Chairman.
 - A. Promotions and Retirements – Chairman Brammer congratulated Chief Richard Jones of the Ocean Ridge Police Department on his promotion.
 - B. Chairman Joseph Ianno, Jr., Criminal Justice Commission and Director Regenia Herring recognized Chairman Sean Brammer for his outstanding service to the Law Enforcement Planning Council and the Criminal Justice Commission. Chief Brammer served as the LEPC Chairman for the past two years to ensure continuity during this challenging period.
 - C. Chairman Brammer thanked Judge Martz for his outstanding leadership and service to the Law Enforcement Planning Council. He also recognized all his achievements as the Chairman of the School Safety Committee. CJC Chairman Ianno and Director Herring also recognized Judge Martz for his commitment to this initiative.
 - D. Reminder that the Law Enforcement Planning Council won't meet again until January 27, 2022.
- II. Roll Call – Chairman Brammer requested that everyone list their name and agency in the chat section in lieu of roll call.
- III. The Agenda/Minutes were approved by unanimous consent. Motion was made by Chief Richard Jones and seconded by Chief Javaro Sims, Vice Chairman.
- IV. Old Business – None
- V. New Business
 - A. Elections of the Law Enforcement Planning Council Chairperson for term starting January 2022. A motion was made by Chief Jones and seconded by Chief Hartmann to approve Chief Javaro Sims as the 2022 Chairman. The motion was approved by unanimous consent. Chief Sims advised that he is looking forward to working with local, federal, and state members in the upcoming year. According to the bylaws, the Vice Chairman is Chief Gus Medina.
 - B. Discuss Reassessment of Prevention, Intervention and Reaction to Mass Violence: Captain Randy Foley, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office advised that two working groups will immediately be formed for the School Safety committee. One of the groups will look at prevention efforts. He noted that a lot has already been accomplished through Judge Martz' guidance with the Aware and Care Campaign. The second group will focus on intervention to determine what law

enforcement and mental health providers are doing effectively. They will also look at what happens when prevention hasn't worked and there is a possible imminent threat. The group will focus on how to stop the threat.

- C. Ms. Shover noted that she will be sending out a survey this week to assist a department with analyzing the impact of the increase in minimum wage. To address this request, the survey will ask for each department's road patrol schedule.
- D. Director Herring advised that the City of Orlando Police Department is in the process of redistricting their communities. They are looking for any assistance from agencies that have experience in this matter. Information was included in the packet concerning this request.

VI. Presentation/Updates

- A. State Level Threat Assessments and Executive Order Number 21-223 Data
Request: *Troy Walker, Special Agent in Charge, Florida Department of Law Enforcement*

FDLE: Assistant Special Agent in Charge Felipe Williams, Special Agent Supervisor Jim Biddle, and Special Agent Larry Masterson

PBSO: Captain Mike Hans and Captain Randy Foley

MDPD: Lieutenant Mike Palacio

SAC Walker mentioned that there was an email distributed by the Florida Chief's and Sheriff's Association regarding the new Executive Order Number 21-223. This is a coordinated effort with the Office of Statewide Intelligence to bring awareness to what is happening in the Region. Please feel free to call him if you have any questions about this request. Members from the Regional Domestic Security Task Force introduced themselves. SAC Walker noted that approximately three years ago Region 7 got together to look at a coordinated regional approach to these issues. Last year the Governor implemented a program to look at targeted violence prevention efforts. South Florida was ahead of the curve as they already had a team in place. Captain Hans provided an overview of the RDSTF that was setup in accordance with FSS 943.0312. They do a lot of Heat Shield exercises to test their resources. These exercises are also used to identify and mitigate any gaps. The next event is being planned for 2022. He noted that the RDSTF is there to support your mission and ensure that you have a robust threat management team, as well as to provide resources when needed. Captain Foley provided an update about the deconfliction database.

VII. Liaison Updates

- A. **Data Sharing:** Nothing new to report.

- B. **Recruitment and Retention:** Ms. Shover reported on behalf of Chief Smith. A copy of the report was attached to the meeting packet. There was a 26% increase in funded vacancies since the last survey that was conducted in February 2021. In addition, there was a slight decrease in funded positions during the same timeframe.
 - C. **Community Engagement Team:** Director Herring advised that there are nine groups that are working on action items. They will distribute a report once it is finalized.
 - D. **SART:** a copy of the SART report was included in the meeting packet. Chief Miuccio mentioned that there is a contact for Kristen Ferguson in the report if you would like to have a representative involved with the protocol committee. The next law enforcement SART meeting will be held on November 18th at 2 PM.
 - E. **Coordinated Community Response Team:** a copy of the update is provided in the meeting packet. Ms. Shover noted that the first core planning team was held on October 12th. Information was also provided about the grant.
 - F. **Criminal Justice Institute:** Director Morton advised that they are hosting a Job Fair on December 9th. They have restarted the Region XII meetings that are scheduled an hour before the LEPC. Please let him know if you would like to participate.
 - G. **Communications/Interoperability:** No report.
 - H. **School Safety:** Captain Foley noted that they hope to have some identified gaps and solutions from the two working groups by the next School Safety meeting.
 - I. **State Attorney's Office:** Craig Williams thanked Major Adam Hirsch, Jupiter Police Department for heading up the body worn camera committee.
 - J. **Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office:** Chief DeMario advised that there are no additional updates.
 - K. **Palm Beach County School District Police Department:** Assistant Chief Regina Price thanked all the municipal partners for their assistance in investigating the threats that have been coming into their Department.
 - L. **State and Federal Updates:** Major Rondeau advised that FWC received over twenty million dollars to help boost the removal of at risk and derelict vessels. They will be more aggressive in removing these types of vessels next year.
- VIII. **Member Comments:** CJC Chairman Ianno recognized all of the agencies for their hard work. He witnessed firsthand how quickly law enforcement addressed a threat at Jupiter High School yesterday. Judge Martz noted the importance of the partnerships of the municipal agencies with the school district police. Captain Mike Hans, Palm Beach

County Sheriff's Office, reminded everyone to utilize the Fusion Center for intel and information sharing.

IX. Attachments

A. SART and CCR Updates

B. Law Enforcement First-Line Supervisor and Investigator Training on Gender-Based Violence

C. February and October 2021 Staffing Reports

X. Next Meeting: January 27, 2022

XI. Adjourn