



**Pinellas Police Standards Council
Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council
4000 Gateway Centre Boulevard, Suite 100
Pinellas Park, FL
Agenda: Wednesday, October 12, 2016 – 8:30 AM**

1. **Call to Order** – Chairman Jeff Undestad

2. **Approval of PPSC Minutes** –Draft Attached

3. **Guest Speakers** –

4. **PASS Update** – Director Waters

5. **Committee Reports** –
 - ❖ Legislative Committee – Chief Haworth

 - ❖ Training – SPC Dean Brian Frank

 - ❖ Standards Review Committee – Chief Rob Vincent

 - ❖ Finance – Chief Bill Sohl

 - ❖ Pinellas County Safety & Emergency Services – TBA

 - ❖ Pinellas County Justice Coordination – Operations Manager Deborah Berry

6. New Business

7. Old Business

8. Roundtable

9. Adjourn

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1. **Call to Order** – Chairman Jeff Undestad
 - ❖ Chief Undestad introduced Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) Captain Daniel “Charlie” Caulk to the Council advising Captain Caulk was recently appointed as the FHP commander for Pinellas County. The Council welcomed Captain Caulk to the Council. Captain Caulk gave a brief biography of his background and said he looked forward to working with the Council.

2. **Approval of PPSC Minutes** –
 - ❖ Motion for approval by Chief Bill Sohl and Chief Rick Stelljes – The Council unanimously approved the August 10, 2016 PPSC Minutes.

3. **Guest Speakers** –
 - ❖ N/A

4. **PASS Update** – Director Waters
 - ❖ Director Waters reported the comparative analysis of PASS operations between August 2015 and July 2016 showed a similar pattern as last month where new EOT applications were still comparatively low. PASS operating revenue is higher due in large part to the Council yearly contribution that was reinstated Fiscal Year 2015/16.

 - ❖ Director Waters advised that candidate polygraph exams have been reinstated as part of the initial PASS Process. He advised the Applicant Information Package (AIP) has been amended to reflect the procedural change. Additionally, the polygraph service used by PASS has extended office hours and work days to handle the initial increase of polygraph exams caused by the immediate backlog of 38 candidates already within the PASS Process.

Director Waters advised that once the initial backlog dissipates he does not expect delays with polygraph exams. He stated PASS will monitor the polygraph exam timeline and make prudent exam date changes and/or incorporate additional PPSC approved polygraph services to ensure agencies receive prompt service. Any agency experiencing an issue with setting up polygraph exams should contact PASS for appointment

assistance. Per PASS procedures, agencies requesting polygraph exams of conditional hires and/or highly pursued candidates shall be given priority polygraph exam scheduling to include rescheduling over self-sponsored academy or non-job offered candidates.

- ❖ Director Waters advised he received a follow up inquiry from Coordinator Deborah Martino (Crime Stoppers of Pinellas County) regarding their July 13, 2016 presentation in front of the Council. The Council said they would participate in making a crime prevention video. Chief Deputy Dan Simovich said Coordinator Martino would make the necessary agency contact and schedule for making the video.

5. Committee Reports –

- ❖ Legislative Committee – Chief Haworth
 - N/A
- ❖ Training – SPC Dean Brian Frank
 - N/A
- ❖ Standards Review Committee – Chief Rob Vincent
 - N/A
- ❖ Finance – Chief Bill Sohl
 - N/A
- ❖ Pinellas County Safety & Emergency Services – Director Jackie Weinreich
 - N/A

6. New Business

- ❖ Chief Stelljes called attention to the Pinellas County Combined Mutual Aid Agreement (PCCMA) disseminated by Director Waters that is up for renewal consideration pending its January 31, 2017 expiration date. He asked the Council for consideration toward adding and/or refining language within the agreement that clarifies and/or extends Pinellas County Schools Police Officers jurisdiction as it relates to school bus stops.

The Council asked Chief Stelljes to draft the proposed language sought for review and approval consideration. Chief Stelljes agreed and advised he would submit his proposed language for the PCCMA without delay.

7. Old Business

- ❖ Chief Stelljes updated the Council on school arrest for the first three weeks of August advising there were 19 arrests countywide. He advised the school administration and his office are still in consultation with the interfaith group FAST whose contention is that no school student should ever be arrested for disorderly conduct. He said the school administration and his office have made every effort to communicate that school arrests are performed judiciously; taking into account a host of variables to include the welfare of affected student(s) as well as the welfare of the entire school facility.

- ❖ Chief Rob Vincent reminded the Council that he had offered for consideration the aspect of amending the PASS Candidate Entry Standards to incorporate the inclusion of certified correction officers as being exempt from the 60 college credit hour requirement as enjoyed by honorably discharged military personnel. The Council announced they were in favor of granting this provision. Chief Vincent brought forward the motion to amend the PASS entry standard to include the above described provision. Chief Undestad seconded the motion for approval and the Council unanimously approved the measure (Resolution 2016-6).

8. Roundtable

- ❖ Chief Armand Boudreau advised that he attended a recent SEPSI Advisory Board meeting where recruit preparedness was the topic of discussion. He stated that SEPSI is taking steps to promote law enforcement speakers, from those in leadership positions to line officer positions, to conduct increased speaking engagements with academy students to hopefully translate a more enhanced preparedness level for entry into a law enforcement career. Some of the topics include but are not limited to balancing a successful career, pros and cons of working shift work to include working midnights, and the employment emphasis attributed to geographical orientation, report writing and officer safety.

The Council also discussed other areas that may improve preparedness to include a comparison of different law enforcement academies that require academy residency and/or a “boot camp” provision prior to academy entrance. Although many of the academies discussed had many distinct advantages, they also carried significant budgetary impacts for the hosting facility. The Council agreed to continue the conversation on ways to improve candidate preparedness and to incorporate initiatives toward enticing new candidates to the law enforcement profession.

- ❖ Major Jeff Young stated the “First Annual Tampa Bay Area Chiefs of Police Foundation Gala” held September 10, 2016 was a huge success and everyone seemed to really enjoy the event. He expressed his sincere appreciation for the site security arrangements provided by the PCSO.
- ❖ Chief Kevin Riley commended the working relationship PASS shares with the Council. He advised that the due diligence and interagency communication within PASS background investigations does not go unnoticed and is very much appreciated. Director Waters thanked Chief Riley for his kind words and advised he would share his compliment with the PASS Staff.

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