

Citizen Complaint Authority
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Board Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2023

Attendees Present

CCA Board

Clarice Warner, Chair
Samuel Burbanks, IV
Wanda Spivey
John J. Williams

Staff

Makiedah Messam, CCA Interim Director
Dena Brown, CCA Division Manager (Chief Investigator)
Andrew Alanis, CCA Investigator
Ike Ekeke, CCA Investigator
Morgan Givens, CCA Investigator
Jessalyn Goodman, CCA Investigator
Robert Stephens, CCA Investigator
Joseph Vesper, CCA Investigator
Michelle Bonner, CCA Sr. Administrative Specialist
Judith Gazaway, CCA, Administrative Specialist
Jay Johnstone, IIS Captain
David Sturkey, Assistant City Solicitor
Steve Sobel, General Manager, CitiCable
Darius Jones, Production Director, CitiCable
Tom Potter, Programming Director, CitiCable

Attendees Absent

CCA Board

Ryan Hall
Ashley Harp

Chair Warner called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes from Previous Meeting

Member Williams moved and Member Burbanks seconded a motion to accept minutes from the September 6, 2023 meeting as written. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

Director's Report

Interim Director Messam presented the Director's Report to the board.

The Board was presented with 16 new fully vetted CCA investigation reports. In total, the reports involved 31 officers with 68 allegations with the recommended decisions of 23 exonerated, 6 not sustained, 31 unfounded and 8 sustained.

Public Comment

CCA Case Number 21178: Complainant Patrice Martinez was present and commented.

CCA Case Number 23124: Complainant Devonte Kirkpatrick was present and commented.

Cincinnati Black United Front members Julie Nielsen, Matthew Korte (Friends of Bones), Max Londberg (Hamilton County Public Defender's Office), and Jennifer Foster were present and commented.

Old Business

None

New Business

1. **CCA Case Number 21143:** Member Williams moved and Member Spivey seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

2. **CCA Case Number 21178:** Member Spivey moved and Member Williams seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

3. **CCA Case Number 21228:** Member Williams moved and Member Burbanks seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

4. **CCA Case Number 22045:** Member Spivey moved and Member Williams seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

5. **CCA Case Number 23014:** Member Spivey moved and Member Burbanks seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

6. **CCA Case Number 23019:** Member Williams moved and Member Burbanks seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

7. **CCA Case Number 23036:** Member Burbanks moved and Member Spivey seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

8. **CCA Case Number 23043:** Member Williams moved and Member Spivey seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

9. **CCA Case Number 23049:** Member Spivey moved and Member Williams seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

10. **CCA Case Number 23057:** Member Spivey moved and Member Burbanks seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

11. **CCA Case Number 23060:** Member Spivey moved and Member Williams seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

12. **CCA Case Number 23064:** Member Spivey moved to accept CCA's findings related to numbers 1, 2 and 4. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion Passed.**

Member Spivey moved and Member Burbanks seconded a motion to adopt a Sustained for the Discourtesy allegation against Officer Alexander Richmond. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

13. **CCA Case Number 23071:** Member Burbanks moved and Member Williams seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**
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14. **CCA Case Number 23091:** Member Spivey moved and Member Burbanks seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**
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15. **CCA Case Number 23102:** Member Burbanks moved and Member Williams seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**
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16. **CCA Case Number 23124:** Member Williams moved and Member Burbanks seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 2 - Oppose 2 - Abstain 0). Chair Warner and Member Spivey opposed **Motion failed.**

Member Spivey moved and Member Williams seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings related to numbers 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 as listed in the October 2, 2023 Investigation Summary Memo. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

Member Spivey moved and Member Williams seconded a motion to adopt a Not Sustained finding for the Improper Stop allegation (number 2 as listed in the October 2, 2023 Investigation Summary Memo) against Officer Myles Abt. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

All CCA reports will be forwarded to the City Manager for review and final disposition.

Announcements

None

Closing

Member Burbanks moved and Member Williams seconded a motion to adjourn the Board meeting. The meeting ended at 8:09 p.m. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, November 15, 2023** at 5:00 p.m.

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