

MEETING MINUTES

AUTOMOBILE THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY (ATPA) SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

July 17, 2018

Michigan State Police (MSP) Headquarters
7150 Harris Drive
Dimondale, Michigan 48821

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue, Chair
Chief Curtis Caid, Vice Chair
Undersheriff Michael McCabe
Ms. Lori Davis
Mr. Mike Thompson
Mr. Mark Wagenschutz
Mr. Gene Adamczyk (via Conference Call)

ATPA STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Tim Bailor, Program Coordinator
Ms. Sandy Long, Financial Specialist

VISITORS PRESENT:

Mr. Shawn Sible, MSP, Administrative Services Bureau
Ms. Nancy Becker Bennett, MSP, Grants and Community Services Division
Insp. Mike Johnson, MSP, Grants and Community Services Division
D/F/Lt. Twana Powell, MSP, Professional Standards Section
Capt. Greg Zarotney, MSP, Office of the Director
Ms. Amanda Baker, MSP, Budget and Financial Services Division
Ms. Shanon Banner, MSP, Office of the Director
Sgt. Tim Fitzgerald, MSP, Office of the Director

1. CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS

The meeting of the ATPA Board of Directors was called to order by Colonel Etue at 1 p.m.

2. READING OF THE ANTI TRUST STATEMENT

Colonel Etue began the meeting by reading the anti-trust statement.

3. NEW BUSINESS

Colonel Etue advised that the special board meeting is intended solely to discuss accusations brought forward to members of the ATPA Board of Directors by Spl/F/Lt. Scott Woodard regarding Information Technology (IT) and administrative costs. Spl/F/Lt. Scott Woodard has filed a separate lawsuit regarding his employment with MSP. Due to the pending lawsuit, the discussion will be limited to the internal investigation only. This meeting is to clarify there has been no wrong doing by MSP and that ATPA grant dollars have been used appropriately.

D/F/Lt. Twana Powell discussed misconduct allegations brought by Spl/F/Lt. Scott Woodard. MSP Professional Standards employees reviewed each allegation and all were determined to be unfounded. Details of these findings were included in the packet presented to board members at the beginning of the meeting.

Capt. Greg Zarotney reviewed the ATPA statute. Captain Zarotney explained the structure of

ATPA administration and MSP's responsibility for the day-to-day management of ATPA employees. All employees assigned to the ATPA are under the direction of the MSP. The ATPA funds the salaries and benefits for those employees providing administrative functions. Captain Zarotney stated his interpretation of the public act, as well as the interpretation of the Attorney General's office, was the ATPA does not function autonomously.

Ms. Amanda Baker presented information on the general accounting practices that exist within state government and MSP. Ms. Baker explained the identified IT charge was incorrectly billed to the ATPA and has been corrected. Ms. Baker also explained reasoning behind the charge and steps involved in getting it corrected.

Ms. Nancy Becker Bennett presented information to the board that identified the many changes that have occurred within the ATPA since 2013.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT
No public comment.

5. NEXT MEETING
ATPA Grant Hearings will be held August 30, 2018, at 9 a.m. at MSP Headquarters, 7150 Harris Drive, Dimondale.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Colonel Etue requested a motion to adjourn. Mr. Adamczyk moved to adjourn and Undersheriff McCabe seconded the motion. Colonel Etue called for a vote. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

APPROVED:



Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue, Director