



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH CITY OF BINGHAMTON

William Berg, City Council President
Jeremy Pelletier, City Clerk

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
City Council Work Room, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton
Tuesday April 7, 2015

Called to Order. Called to order by Municipal and Public Affairs Committee Chair Rennia at 5:00pm.

Committee Members Present: Teri Rennia (Committee Chair), Lea Webb (Committee Member), Jerry Motsavage

Committee Members Absent: John Matzo (Committee Member)

Council Members Also Present: Jerry Motsavage, Chris Papastrat, Joe Mihalko, Bill Berg

Also Present: Kenneth J. Frank, Corporation Counsel; Jared Kraham, Executive Assistant to the Mayor; William Yeager, Acting Police Chief; David Eggeston, Asst. Police Chief; Chuck Woody, BPD; Mike Trapinski, BPD; Jack Collins, BPD; Hadesa Head, Bobby Black, Progressive Leaders of Tomorrow; Sean Massey, Member of Binghamton Human Rights Commission; Kevin Revere.

ITEMS CONSIDERED

Discussion. The Municipal and Public Affairs Committee reviewed the Police Modernization Law proposed by the Binghamton Human Rights Commission

Further Action. The Municipal and Public Affairs committee will hold another meeting on April 22, 2015 at 5:00pm. The Progressive Leaders of Tomorrow and members of the Binghamton Human Rights Commission will present the data collected. Members of the Binghamton Police Department will also attend and provide suggestions to the proposed Police Modernization Law. The MPA committee also had a couple of questions for the Binghamton Police Department.

1. What are some barriers to recruitment of individuals to take the police civil service exam?
2. What is BPD doing for professional development and community relations?
3. Does BPD provide cultural competency and diversity training? If so what is the cost? Does the budget for cultural competency and diversity training need to be increased?

Adjournment. Motion to adjourn at 6:00pm.

Moved by Rennia, seconded by Webb.

Voice vote, none opposed.