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POLICE BOARD

PUBLIC MEETING

July 17, 2014

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- PRESENT:
Demetrius Carney, President;
Ghian Foreman, Vice President;
Melissa Ballate;
Reverend Michael Eaddy (telephonically);
Rita Fry;
William Conlon;
Susan McKeever;
Elisa Rodriguez;
Rhoda Davis Sweeney;
Ralph Price, General Counsel to the
Superintendent;
Scott Ando, Chief Administrator,
Independent Police Review Authority.

1 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Calling the Police
2 Board meeting of July 17th, 2014, to order.
3 Reverend Eaddy is unable to attend this meeting
4 in person and wishes to attend via audio
5 conference. Is there a motion?

6 MR. FOREMAN: So moved.

7 MR. CONLON: Second.

8 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor?

9 (CHORUS OF AYES.)

10 PRESIDENT CARNEY: The first item of
11 business is approval of the minutes of the
12 meeting of June 19. Motion to approve?

13 MS. FRY: So moved.

14 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor?

15 (CHORUS OF AYES.)

16 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Thank you.

17 Our next meeting will be on
18 Thursday, August 21st, here at 35th and
19 Michigan at 7:30.

20 At this time I ask for a motion
21 to close a series of executive sessions for the
22 purpose of considering litigation and personnel
23 matters as authorized by The Open Meetings Act.
24 Is there a motion?

1 MR. FOREMAN: So moved.

2 MS. BALLATE: Second.

3 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor?

4 (CHORUS OF AYES.)

5 PRESIDENT CARNEY: A report of disciplinary
6 actions taken by the Board during the previous
7 month have been made available at this
8 evening's meeting. This report is the Board's
9 written findings and decisions posted on the
10 Board's website.

11 What we're going to do now is
12 take final action on our disciplinary cases.
13 As you know, we entertained the cases last
14 month, and we have to vote on the cases in the
15 public session at this meeting. So we have a
16 couple of cases.

17 The first case before us is the
18 Steven Lesner case, and that is case 13 Police
19 Board 2843. The Board is authorized by
20 the -- as authorized by The Open Meetings Act
21 we're going to take final action on the cases.
22 Regarding case number -- regarding the Steven
23 Lesner case, there's a motion to find Sergeant
24 Steven Lesner guilty of purchasing and

1 transporting alcohol in a Department vehicle
2 while on duty and failing to secure his weapon
3 while off duty and to discharge him from the
4 Police Department.

5 MS. FRY: So moved.

6 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Entertain a motion?

7 MS. FRY: So moved.

8 MR. CONLON: Second.

9 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor?

10 (CHORUS OF AYES.)

11 PRESIDENT CARNEY: By a showing of hands,
12 please. Any opposed?

13 Voting in favor are board members
14 Foreman, Ballate, Conlon, Eaddy, Fry,
15 Rodriguez, Sweeney, and myself. The motion
16 passes.

17 And now what we do is when we
18 entertain the case, we then render a written
19 finding and decision that will be posted on our
20 website.

21 So now I'm asking for -- of all
22 reviewed findings and decisions, and we have
23 made comment, so now I'm asking for a motion to
24 adopt the written findings and decisions that

1 have been reviewed by all Board members who
2 participated in the case. Can I ask for a
3 motion?

4 MS. BALLATE: So moved.

5 MR. FOREMAN: Second.

6 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor?

7 (CHORUS OF AYES.)

8 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Show of hands.

9 (SHOWING OF HANDS.)

10 Reverend Eaddy votes in favor as
11 well. Any opposed? Motion passes by unanimous
12 vote.

13 The next case before the Board is
14 the case number 14 Police Board 2850. Is there
15 a motion to find Police Officer Jennifer Martin
16 guilty of authorized law enforcement inquiries
17 and dissemination of information and to
18 discharge her from Chicago Police Department?
19 Is there a motion?

20 MS. BALLATE: So moved.

21 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor?

22 (CHORUS OF AYES.)

23 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Please show by hand.

24 Reverend Eaddy, it's noted you're voting in

1 favor.

2 Any opposed? Please show by
3 hands.

4 (SHOWING OF HANDS.)

5 Okay. Sweeney and Rodriguez
6 voting against the motion. Voting in favor are
7 Board members Foreman, Ballate, Conlon, Eaddy,
8 Fry and myself. Board members Rodriguez and
9 Sweeney dissent. The motion passes.

10 Is there a motion to adopt the
11 written findings and decision and dissent that
12 have been reviewed by all Board members who
13 participated in the case?

14 MS. BALLATE: So moved.

15 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor by show of
16 hands.

17 (SHOWING OF HANDS.)

18 Any opposed? So the written
19 findings will also have the finding of those
20 who have passed the motion, and also there will
21 be a dissent in the written findings by
22 Rodriguez and Sweeney -- no, not Sweeney. Who
23 else voted against it? Sweeney. It is
24 Sweeney. Thank you.

1 The next case is that of Harriet
2 White, and it's regarding case number 14 SR --
3 when I say SR, suspension review, and this is a
4 case for suspension. Case number 2321. Is
5 there a motion to sustain the allegations
6 against Police Officer Harriet White for
7 insubordination and to reduce the recommended
8 20-day suspension to five days?

9 MS. FRY: So moved.

10 MR. FOREMAN: Same.

11 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor by show of
12 hands.

13 (SHOWING OF HANDS.)

14 Thank you. Any opposed? Voting
15 in favor are Board members Foreman, Ballate,
16 Conlon, Eaddy, Fry, Rodriguez, Sweeney and
17 myself. The motion passes.

18 Is there a motion to adopt the
19 written findings and decisions that have been
20 reviewed by all Board members who participated
21 in the case? Can I have a motion?

22 MS. BALLATE: So moved.

23 MR. FOREMAN: Second.

24 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor by show of

1 hands.

2 (SHOWING OF HANDS.)

3 Any opposed? The motion passes
4 by unanimous consent.

5 There's also -- the next case is
6 Police Board -- it's Anastasia Patterson, and
7 this is case number 14 suspension review 2322.
8 Is there a motion to sustain the allegations
9 against Police Officer Anastasia Patterson for
10 insubordination and to reduce the recommended
11 penalty from 25 days to 10 days?

12 MS. BALLATE: So moved.

13 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor by show of
14 hands.

15 (SHOWING OF HANDS.)

16 Thank you. Any opposed? Voting
17 in favor are Board members Foreman, Ballate,
18 Conlon, Eaddy, Fry, Rodriguez, Sweeney and
19 myself. The motion passes.

20 Is there a motion to adopt
21 written findings and decisions that have been
22 reviewed by all Board members who participated
23 in the case?

24 MS. FRY: So moved.

1 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor by show of
2 hands.

3 (SHOWING OF HANDS.)

4 Motion passes. Any opposed?

5 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Motion passes by
6 unanimous consent.

7 There's one final case here. It
8 is regarding -- well, this case -- we're not
9 taking this case. Okay. I think we are done
10 with our cases that are before us this evening.

11 Brought to my attention is our
12 decision on the cases in which the Board took
13 final action this evening will be entered as of
14 today's date and issued to the parties.

15 A copy of the written decision
16 will be posted on the Board's website.

17 Now we'll continue on with the
18 meeting. Copies of the orders issued by the
19 Superintendent during the previous month are
20 listed in the blue books and are available on
21 the Police Department's website.

22 The next item is the
23 Superintendent's report. Is there a motion to
24 waive the oral presentation and receive the

1 Superintendent's report in writing?

2 MR. FOREMAN: So moved.

3 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor?

4 (CHORUS OF AYES.)

5 PRESIDENT CARNEY: I will now call upon the
6 members of the public who signed up to speak in
7 advance. When your name is called, please step
8 up to the microphone. We ask that you attempt
9 to limit your comments to two minutes.

10 Ms. Muhammad. How are you?

11 MS. MUHAMMAD: Well, not so hot. Good
12 evening, everyone. My name is Zakiiyyah
13 Muhammad. I live in the Woodlawn Park Complex
14 on 34th and Cottage Grove, and I frequent Lake
15 Meadows Shopping Center regular, almost daily;
16 I bank there, I shop there, I'm there all the
17 time.

18 I've been here on several
19 occasions about the corner. I wish the
20 Superintendent was here, because 35th Street,
21 the activities make this headquarters look
22 really, really bad.

23 Right now it's a move to do
24 videos to take to the U.S. Attorney General to

1 let them see how the front door of this station
2 looks. How they can't get the drug dealing off
3 of the street right in the front door of
4 headquarters.

5 Lake Meadows Shopping Center,
6 they have a new manager down there. He has
7 gotten rid of armed security. They have
8 unarmed security, so all of the drug dealings
9 and the cigarette sellers and the boosters that
10 go in Jewel's and Walgreen's and steal, they
11 sell that stuff from the benches, bench area up
12 in the shopping center.

13 They building for L.A. Fitness.
14 I don't know if you're all familiar with this
15 end of the community or not, but there is a
16 Lake Meadows Shopping Center on 35th and King
17 Drive with benches up in there and they
18 building an L.A. Fitness there.

19 And the drug dealing now is going
20 back from the corner of 35th -- and I called
21 when I see them up there. A police lady asked
22 me, well, how do you know they dealing drugs?
23 How do you know they selling stolen goods? I
24 said, ma'am, because I see them. She actually

1 had an attitude because I was reporting.
2 Because the alderman told me he already talked
3 to someone and the Assistant Superintendent
4 told me that they was working on it. And I saw
5 progress. And so whenever you see them there,
6 call the police. This officer actually got an
7 attitude when I called, because this
8 community -- that corner was Supreme Life and a
9 lot of other things used to be. That means a
10 lot to those of us that still live down here in
11 this community. And it just looks terrible,
12 35th and King Drive on that corner. I'm
13 talking about on the northeast corner. It's
14 just unacceptable.

15 Now, the alderman told me he was
16 thinking about removing those bars where they
17 come and sit on. Hopefully he can do that.

18 But tell me, I would like to talk
19 to some officers when I leave here about that
20 and other things, because those tables, now
21 that they don't have armed security, they pull
22 them back up in there where Mississippi Rick's
23 used to be, and it's dark so they have sex out
24 there at night. Yeah. Uh-huh. Cause it's

1 unarmed security, so who cares, what they going
2 to do.

3 Now, I would like to talk to
4 officers, you know, when the meeting is over or
5 something, because there's some other things
6 that I want to talk to them about.

7 What does designated area mean?
8 If an area has been deemed designated, don't
9 that mean that the police have the authority to
10 come up and arrest people if they keep coming
11 back to the same spot? I'd like that answered
12 for me, too, as well. And if it's not
13 designated, how can we make it designated.

14 PRESIDENT CARNEY: After the meeting
15 when -- the Superintendent is represented by
16 his general counsel, Ralph Price. Officer
17 Price, can you talk to Ms. Muhammad afterwards?
18 What district is this?

19 MS. MUHAMMAD: 21st.

20 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Max, what district are
21 we?

22 MR. CAPRONI: 2nd District.

23 PRESIDENT CARNEY: We're in the 2nd
24 District. Anybody here from the 2nd District?

1 MS. MUHAMMAD: Probably not. They just
2 threw us away. Nobody cares.

3 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Can you follow up?

4 MR. PRICE: Will do.

5 MS. MUHAMMAD: Thank you very much.

6 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Nice to see you again,
7 Ms. Muhammad. John Perryman.

8 MR. PERRYMAN: Good evening. As you can
9 tell, we have a couple of new faces up here
10 tonight. More people from the community are
11 here to kind of tell our story about what's
12 going on.

13 This is in the 11th District. I
14 was wondering is Commander Evans here tonight?

15 MR. PRICE: No, he's not.

16 MR. PERRYMAN: I have requested twice for
17 him to be here to maybe deal with these issues.
18 I'd like it to be known that two times that
19 request has been denied.

20 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Since the last meeting
21 have you met with him?

22 MR. PERRYMAN: He --

23 PRESIDENT CARNEY: That was supposed to
24 happen from our last meeting.

1 MR. PERRYMAN: He did not meet with the
2 community. He met with a few people. I don't
3 think he understands that's not what we're
4 asking for. I did meet with him. He said he
5 wanted to meet for 15 minutes, and I went and
6 we talked. I would like to mention a little
7 bit about that meeting. First words out of his
8 mouth were that -- when I was talking about
9 drug dealing specifically at California and
10 Monroe, is that the community is enabling.
11 That's the first thing he said. And I don't
12 know if you would like it if someone started
13 dealing drugs in front of your house and then
14 you got blamed for it. Then one of his
15 lieutenants said, well, where are all the
16 buyers coming from? I think everyone will tell
17 you, we don't know, but before the drug dealing
18 they weren't here. They weren't there at that
19 corner. They weren't in the community.

20 Also he said he refused to give
21 special treatment to me, I guess the neighbors
22 here. But if closing our drug market is
23 special treatment, I think we have some big,
24 big problems to talk about. And if he can't

1 deal with that, then maybe we do need more
2 resources from either downtown or the north
3 side.

4 He also said that their strategy
5 is violence driven. Since there hasn't been
6 violence on this corner, he would not give it
7 his attention.

8 We don't want to wait for someone
9 to get killed before the police will take it
10 seriously.

11 I -- we've had cops walking the
12 beat. I said can you talk to these officers
13 who are walking the beat to give them
14 direction, he says I have no authority over
15 them.

16 So I'm trying to figure out why
17 he doesn't have authority over police. Maybe
18 it's a citywide program. I get it, but the
19 commander should still have authority over
20 what's going on with police in his own
21 district.

22 Even on our way here, they were
23 dealing on this corner. I brought this up over
24 a month ago. As soon as they were doing the

1 freebies -- do you know what freebies are?
2 I'll explain. Freebies are where the drug
3 dealers start to set up shop. Word gets out on
4 the street. They start shouting "freebies,"
5 and people get in a nice, orderly line that
6 goes halfway around the block, and they give
7 out drugs for free to start their market.

8 We immediately notified the
9 police. I said they're starting a market. We
10 need to come in here quickly to make sure this
11 does not get established. Nothing happened.
12 Nobody reached out.

13 I've talked to neighbors who gave
14 the license plates of cars, they've had
15 descriptions of people, people wearing the same
16 clothes every day, and they still get to do it.

17 So I guess there's two things.
18 For one thing -- and also I'd like to
19 introduce, we have -- this is Sherry, she lives
20 on this corner. If you have any questions
21 about dealings, she lives directly on this
22 corner. She has small children where they are
23 dealing right outside of the nursery. If you
24 would like to talk to her or have questions,

1 she can answer.

2 We brought another individual,
3 this man here, he has a business on that
4 corner.

5 You know, this idea that the
6 community is enabling it is just crazy. We're
7 looking for some prevention here.

8 When we see them line up for
9 freebies, there should be a quick let's get
10 this taken care of.

11 We talked about this corner last
12 year. We had an officer sitting on the corner
13 in a chair to shut it down and it shut it down.
14 He shut down that corner, and it came right
15 back because they sat on it.

16 There seems to be no prevention.
17 There doesn't seem to be a strategy.

18 Also, we have a neighbor here
19 from -- Gladys. Do we? I'm sorry. I'm
20 mistaken. Sorry.

21 But we need something in our
22 community that's preventive.

23 And if the Commander thinks he
24 can meet with me and meet with that person and

1 then he can say he's done meeting with the
2 community, that's not how it is.

3 We're representing a lot of
4 people who cannot make it tonight. I talked to
5 numerous people who said I want to be there, I
6 can't make it, I have children. I cannot --
7 you know, I need to go to bed. I cannot go
8 that far. I'm scared to go to police
9 headquarters. We get that, too. But he needs
10 to meet with the community in a real way,
11 because we're standing together, so that he
12 can't pick us off and say I dealt with your
13 problem and yours, go away. When one of us has
14 a problem, we all have a problem and he needs
15 to understand that.

16 I would like a response to why
17 there's still drug dealing. I've been -- I
18 have emails I've been sending to
19 lieutenant -- Deputy Wysinger and to the
20 Commander. I want to know why they still have
21 an open drug market going on for the last
22 month, flagrant.

23 I also want to know why we can't
24 set up any ounce of preventive measure.

1 And lastly, I'm asking if we can
2 please get -- if the Commander's unwilling to
3 deal with this in his district -- which he's
4 allowed, it's his district. You guys put him
5 in there. We were all there when this
6 happened, but then can we please be put in
7 touch with narcotics. If he's not going to
8 help us, we need someone to.

9 We've been working really hard in
10 this neighborhood and you guys know it, but
11 we're backsliding.

12 I know -- and Derrick over here,
13 his -- gambling started up again, right? All
14 these other things have started up. Kids out
15 all hours of the night. I thought we had a
16 curfew. I don't know why these laws aren't
17 enforced. I would like a response on those
18 issues. And also if you have any questions for
19 the other community members, we can take that,
20 too.

21 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Mr. Caproni, can you
22 meet afterwards? And, Officer Price, I think
23 that we need to see if we can get Commander
24 Evans here at the next meeting. That's

1 extremely important, because the citizens of
2 the 11th District come every month and they
3 come in at our direction. I think we have to
4 offer some type of recourse. I think if you
5 can look into why or talk to the Superintendent
6 and see if we can have Evans here at the next
7 meeting, because you're right, you shouldn't
8 have to live like that. I can't answer your
9 questions tonight.

10 MR. PERRYMAN: Can the General Counsel or
11 someone from the --

12 PRESIDENT CARNEY: I'm not sure if the
13 General Counsel can answer.

14 MR. PRICE: We will pass these concerns on
15 and the Superintendent's aware of it, First
16 Deputy. I don't have firsthand knowledge of
17 what narcotic investigations are occurring in
18 that area. There may be long-term
19 investigations that are ongoing. So we will
20 pass your information on to the district
21 commander and deputy chief so they are aware.

22 MR. PERRYMAN: Can we be put in touch with
23 someone from narcotics, please?

24 MR. PRICE: I'll have someone from

1 narcotics --

2 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Max, can you follow up
3 with that as well?

4 MR. CAPRONI: Sure.

5 MR. PERRYMAN: We're looking for preventive
6 anything.

7 PRESIDENT CARNEY: It's obvious. And you
8 are appearing very diligent about it. We will
9 try. At the next meeting you will follow up
10 with Max or someone from narcotics. We will
11 also try to have the Commander here at the next
12 meeting.

13 MR. PERRYMAN: We don't want to see this
14 thing where three and a half weeks there's
15 nothing and then the half week before the
16 meeting there's a flurry of activity. We don't
17 have time. It's too dangerous out there.

18 PRESIDENT CARNEY: We hear you.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I would just like to
20 say this corner is right outside -- I have twin
21 baby boys, and it's right outside their
22 nursery. I spend every day rocking them in the
23 chair, and I see these people outside selling
24 drugs. I've called 911 multiple times and I

1 only had a response one time. And the drug
2 activity is skyrocketing. I can't even -- I
3 sit on my back porch and see people on the
4 stairwell like one building away like selling
5 drugs and doing drugs. And I'm astonished at
6 the lack of response to this corner. And it is
7 getting worse.

8 PRESIDENT CARNEY: So are we. Thank you.

9 MR. CONLON: May I ask a question? Can we
10 have the court reporter type up what was just
11 said here by this group and give it to
12 Commander Evans so that next month when he
13 comes we can have what you describe as the
14 conversation with him and have him respond to
15 that?

16 We get a conversation, we don't
17 hear the other side. Maybe if we get everybody
18 together and he understands exactly what you're
19 saying here.

20 MR. PERRYMAN: He needs to not meet with
21 one person, he needs to meet with the
22 community.

23 MR. CONLON: I think you said that. I'd
24 like to have him get a copy of the transcript

1 and we can have maybe a conversation.

2 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Max, I think it would be
3 good, too, if the Superintendent --
4 Commissioner Conlon, that's an excellent idea.
5 I think if the Superintendent also gets a copy
6 of the transcript.

7 MS. BALLATE: I have a question. What do
8 you envision as the best format to engage in
9 the community? In terms of -- not planning,
10 but these meetings.

11 MR. PERRYMAN: I envision, perhaps -- I
12 offered to host, to bring in neighbors, because
13 there's a lot of neighbors who can't make it,
14 either in someone's home or at a church or --
15 you know, probably not the police station
16 because people are intimidated by that. But if
17 we had a church do it, we had a real meeting,
18 you know, with -- we'll set it up. He doesn't
19 have to do anything. All he needs to do is
20 show up. We'll get the people there and he
21 will see. It's not the community enabling. I
22 think he thinks that and we need to clear that
23 up.

24 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Thank you.

1 Darva Watkins.

2 MS. WATKINS: Hi, I'm Darva Watkins. I
3 have a personal issue. I'm a victim of -- a
4 ten-year victim of stalking and harassment. I
5 made over 50 plus police reports between the
6 year of 2013 -- 2003 and 2013 against the same
7 offenders. No one has been arrested.

8 The last three prior
9 superintendents, Jody Weiss and the other two
10 superintendents, they all knew about the case.
11 They was working on the case, but unfortunately
12 they were all dismissed from their positions,
13 therefore the case is still pending.

14 I wanted to find out what is the
15 purpose of police reports and why are they
16 needed and they should be eliminated. The
17 reason why they should be eliminated, because
18 when you go to court with police reports, the
19 judge will let you know that that's just a
20 piece of paper of documents from your words,
21 and I need to know what are you guys going to
22 do to change the way the police reports are
23 done. And the reason why I need to know that
24 is because I should not have over 50 plus

1 police reports about stalking and harassment
2 against the two same people who have never been
3 arrested. And I cannot use the reports to do
4 anything. So my Constitutional rights have
5 been violated.

6 I feel the Chicago Police
7 Department has let me down. And I feel that
8 there's no need for police reports. And I need
9 to know if someone can address me today to find
10 out what is the purpose of a police report, and
11 how can one person have over 50 police reports
12 for the same crime and no one has ever been
13 arrested. Can someone answer that for me?

14 PRESIDENT CARNEY: I don't know if I can
15 answer that question. Unfortunately, we don't
16 have the First Deputy here today. I have to
17 once again refer to Mr. Price. Officer Price.

18 MR. PRICE: The purpose of a police report
19 is to document a complaint or allegation that a
20 crime has been committed.

21 MS. WATKINS: To do what? To arrest
22 someone? To just have a piece of paper? To go
23 to court? To do what? This is not why -- why
24 isn't police reports being enforced? How can a

1 person have over 50 something police reports
2 and no one has been arrested. I just need
3 someone to tell me.

4 MR. PRICE: I don't have the facts of your
5 particular case.

6 MS. WATKINS: Okay. Let me ask you another
7 question. The police reports are given from
8 who, from where? What is the purpose of them?
9 To make documentations of a crime that's being
10 committed, but then if that's the case, then
11 how can someone have 50 police reports for a
12 crime that has been committed and they have
13 never been arrested. I didn't think so. I
14 didn't think so. I didn't think so. Thank
15 you.

16 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Thank you. David
17 Sartore.

18 MR. SARTORE: Last month at this meeting,
19 the only response to the two incidents I
20 described that show very strong probable cause
21 for investigation of crime/misconduct by police
22 with me only resulted in a few words from the
23 City's attorney, so I said I would come back
24 for a quality response from you today. So if

1 the CPD or mayor's non-attorney representatives
2 could address those two incidents from last
3 month's Board meeting, please.

4 PRESIDENT CARNEY: I don't think we're
5 going to have a response for you at this
6 meeting because the Superintendent and the
7 Deputy Superintendent are not attending the
8 meeting.

9 MR. SARTORE: I've got some more to read.
10 I just have a first thought, and that is just
11 based on what you just said, I'm just dying to
12 say, two weeks prior to that last Board meeting
13 I hid from the police by leaving town. Three
14 days after I was at the Board meeting where I
15 told you about the off-duty officer warning and
16 the park, I was arrested. So I mean I'm being
17 harassed in ways that's just inconceivable.

18 Two days ago my car was towed off
19 of my own property. I'll just go back to what
20 I have here. I brought all that same evidence
21 again that I mentioned I had last time. A tape
22 recorder also this time for the 911 taped
23 confession by the criminal and that first
24 battery incident against me. And today I also

1 have the 911 summary of that tape which proves
2 a chain of conspiracy, specifically
3 interdepartmental collusion evidenced by that
4 falsified -- they call it an event query, but
5 it is a summary of the conversation between me
6 and the 911 operator and no one else in theory.

7 Plus I brought the name and title
8 of who told me that only police can -- by the
9 way, I didn't finish that.

10 Anyway, the event query just
11 completely conflicts with the tape-recorded
12 message, which includes the criminal confessing
13 to the crime he says -- I mentioned it last
14 week. He says, "I hit him because he" -- "he
15 started that." Anyway, so the tape doesn't
16 match the summary.

17 So if you're having people look
18 into this record, they're going to read the
19 summary and see that the policeman was correct
20 in not writing a report there was a fight,
21 whereas the tape clearly shows she said was it
22 a fight, I said no, I never lifted my hand, it
23 was a battery. She summarized it calling it a
24 fight which backs up the police not writing a

1 battery report.

2 Plus I brought the name and title
3 of who told me that only police can request the
4 videotapes I'm in desperate need of from the
5 park.

6 Also, a police report from a few
7 days ago where the officer and her supervisor
8 colluded to falsify a record and let the
9 criminals -- this is a separate incident, like
10 I say, it happened a few days ago, and they let
11 the criminals go without even a lecture. Of
12 course the police wrote me up for having a --
13 inappropriate bicycling while the criminals
14 walk past us laughing.

15 Finally, I stopped hiding out of
16 town from the police -- well, this is what I
17 just told you already. I guess I could have
18 waited.

19 That's the park, 1425 North
20 Damen, which I was referring to. I was at a --
21 I was watching a show. I figured it was safe
22 to go back into the park because you guys were
23 waiting to get back to me, and I pointed it all
24 out about Officer Warnicki, et cetera. By the

1 way, it's spelled W-A-R-N-I-C-K-I, or H-I. I
2 said H-I last time.

3 Anyway, it's a park at 1425 North
4 Damen. I was watching an open mic show outside
5 in the middle of the day. She approached me.
6 She tried to bait me with insults. I ignored
7 her and called 911 and asked for a supervisor
8 to come because a police officer off-duty was
9 insulting me.

10 And after I did that, she called
11 the police and asked them to arrest me. Okay.
12 Let's see. By the way, she wrote it up because
13 I was insulting people. She alleges I was
14 insulting people. Even though the number of
15 times I asked the park and the police in the
16 last decade to help me stop the insulters who
17 are 100 percent of the time initiating
18 this -- these contacts. There weren't any that
19 day. Go figure. There's enough to fill
20 volumes.

21 Those same state laws that I was
22 arrested under should be used today to
23 prosecute the officers from both incidents that
24 I described last month here under the state's

1 law intimidation. That's a state law which is
2 for members of the public like myself who are
3 being intimidated by government employees

4 PRESIDENT CARNEY: Mr. -- you have to
5 finish up.

6 MR. SARTORE: I'm all done except
7 unrelated. I picked up the blue minutes from
8 last month. I no longer get a hard copy of the
9 minutes of what the public says at these
10 meetings. In other words, last month what I
11 said isn't in the blue book. A year ago when I
12 came here twice, the second time I had the
13 minutes which gave -- recorded everything that
14 I had said at the previous Police Board
15 meeting, and you are no longer doing that. May
16 I make a motion to reinstate that? I'm 63 and
17 I never use computers, and having a hard copy
18 record of what I say here is one of the things
19 I've been meaning to compliment you guys for,
20 just making this venue available. The mayor
21 doesn't, no one else does. Having a record and
22 having stenographer, that's very impressive.
23 And we are losing ground by having the hard
24 copy not available in the minutes.

1 So someone here would know what
2 the heck I'm talking about from the last month
3 for one thing. Thank you, gentlemen, for
4 listening.

5 There wasn't any response. I
6 said what I said last month. Today is no more
7 earth shattering. Now I'm a criminal, last
8 month I was a complainer.

9 Anyone have anything to say to
10 me, the police department or the Mayor's
11 Office?

12 PRESIDENT CARNEY: You have to move on.
13 Thank you.

14 Robert More.

15 All those who signed up to speak
16 have been called upon at this time. I'll
17 entertain a motion to adjourn.

18 MR. CONLON: So moved.

19 PRESIDENT CARNEY: All in favor.

20 (CHORUS OF AYES.)

21 (WHEREUPON, the proceedings
22 were adjourned at 8:01 p.m.)

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1 STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS:
2 COUNTY OF C O O K)
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4 MAUREEN A. WOODMAN, C.S.R., being first
5 duly sworn, says that she is a court reporter
6 doing business in the City of Chicago; that she
7 reported in shorthand the proceedings had at
8 the hearing of said cause; that the foregoing
9 is a true and correct transcript of her
10 shorthand notes, so taken as aforesaid, and
11 contains all the proceedings of said hearing.

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