

POLICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Purpose: Pursuant to the authority granted to the Barre City Council by Vermont Statute Annotated Title 24 Appendix, Chapter 1, Section 307, the purpose of this board will be to facilitate transparency and provide advice to the Barre City Police Department, City Council and/or Barre City Manager.

Objectives: The main objectives of the committee shall be:

1. To provide support and community insight to the Barre City Police Department.
2. To facilitate transparency
3. To enhance trust between the Barre City Police Department and the community.
4. To facilitate community education and conversation with the Barre City Police Department.

The Board:

1. The Police Advisory Committee shall consist of 5 volunteer members with significant ties to the Barre City community appointed by the City Council. City Council will appoint members to two year terms; 3 members appointed in even numbered years, 2 members in odd numbered years.
2. The PAC will meet monthly unless otherwise discussed. Meetings are currently held the second Monday of each month.
3. Members are expected to be active and participate. Three unexcused absences in a twelve month period may result in a request by the board to City Council for dismissal and replacement.

Board duties:

1. Meet once annually to appoint a chair, vice chair and secretary; thereafter meeting as needed in accordance with Vermont Open Meeting Law.
2. Review Barre City Police Department (BCPD) policies and procedures and make recommendations to the Barre City Police Chief and Manager.
 - a. The PAC will initiate review of all BCPD policies and procedures within 30 days of City Council adoption of this document. After review the PAC will make recommendations to the Barre Police Chief, Manager and City Council on proposed changes to the policy or procedure.
 - b. BCPD policies and procedures will be reviewed at the discretion of the PAC and presented to the Barre City Police Chief, Manager or Council.
 - c. The PAC may propose new or suggest amendments to BCPD policies and procedures for consideration by the Barre City Police Chief, Manager or Council as applicable.

- d. The PAC will provide input in the hiring of members of the BCPD and will provide up to 2 members to serve on any hiring panel organized by the Barre City Police Chief and/or City Manager.
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- 3. To act as an Advisory Board for the Chief of Police
 - a. The Police Advisory Committee shall, from time to time, be called upon by the Chief of Police to act as an advisory board to the Chief on behalf of the community.
 - b. Advisory sessions shall be requested, in writing, by the Chief of Police to the chair of the PAC.
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- 4. The board may develop procedures and establish norms to execute their duties, subject to amendments by the board and approved by City Council.