

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CORALVILLE CITIZENS COMMUNITY POLICING ADVISORY BOARD, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL
OF SAID BOARD AT A SUBSEQUENT MEETING

A meeting of the Coralville Citizen's Community Policing Advisory Board was held at City Hall, 1512 7th Street on Monday, June 27, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

#2 Roll call. The following Board Members were present: Hotsenpiller, Slade, Leytem, Dolezal, Ukah. Absent: Morales.

The following City Staff was present: City Attorney Kevin Olson, Police Chief Shane Kron

#3 Approve agenda. Motion by Leytem to approve the agenda. By voice vote all ayes.

#4 Minutes of May 23, 2022. Slade motion to approve the minutes of May 23, 2022, second by Ukah. By voice vote all ayes.

#5. Community Experiences. Leytem read the role of the Board into the minutes (found at www.coralville.org)
There were no community experiences

#6. Public Comments. Mary McCann asked how you find qualified police applicants, said she would follow-up with the police chief at a future time.

#7. Old Business.

1) Reviewed the revised tri-fold pamphlet. It is approved and ready for printing/distribution.

#8. New business.

- 1) Leytem was hopeful of getting a board appointment before the scheduled July meeting.
- 2) Board Member Ukah is resigning her appointment following this meeting
- 3) Dr. Chris Barnum of CRRResearch presented his findings on the 2021 traffic stop data
- 4) Aleksey Gurtovoy addressed the board on his previously sent letter (attached)
- 5) Items and actions related to recommendations for publishing police policies and police officer training were tabled

#9. Next meeting. July 25, 2022.

#10. Other business. None.

#11. Adjourn. Seeing no other business, motion by Hotsenpiller, 2nd by Dolezal, to adjourn. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:33PM.

From: Aleksey Gurtovoy <agurtovoy@lowaic.org>
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 12:32 PM
To: Coralville CPAB
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Conversation with the Iowa Civil Liberties Council

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Dear members of the Citizen's Community Policing Advisory Board,

I'm reaching out on behalf of the Iowa Civil Liberties Council, an Iowa City Metro-based non-profit citizens' group dedicated to protection of civil liberties as codified in the United States Bill of Rights. Our group is interested in the individual board member experiences of serving on Coralville's CCPAB, and would like to invite current and past members of this board who don't have a city government and/or law enforcement association to an informal conversation with our council at your convenience.

The primary goal of this conversation is to establish an open line of communication between the CCPAB members and the Iowa Civil Liberties Council.

If you're interested, simply reply to this email or respond by filling out a (very) short form here:

<https://forms.gle/972FXgtKzQHJXB85A>. Anything that you share with the council will remain confidential unless you explicitly give us permission to re-share it with a broader audience.

Thank you so much for your time,
Aleksey Gurtovoy
Iowa Civil Liberties Council

Hi Dennis,

First of all, thank you for following up on our invitation, happy to answer your questions.

As an organization, the Iowa Civil Liberties Council (Iowa CLC) is relatively young — we just celebrated our first year of existence on June 3rd — which is why we don't have much of an internet presence outside of our issue projects. Also, in general, as a decidedly local civil liberties org, we put more focus and resources on personal interactions with both the public and local government officials, collaboration with other civil liberties-minded groups, and consequent relationships we build in the Iowa City Metro community. That said, a more representative internet presence for the Council is in the works.

We do not have any formal affiliation with the American Civil Liberties Union, but we view the work of the two organizations as complementary.

The Council is a locally-governed outlet for civil liberty activists, which about a dozen of us formed after the ACLU of Iowa dismantled its last standing local chapter back in the spring of 2021. The majority of the current Council members used to be on the board of the dismantled chapter, and a few of us still keep in touch with the ACLU Iowa staff individually, but Iowa CLC is an independent organization.

Our structure is also very different from the ACLU of Iowa. The latter is effectively run as a non-profit corporation, with a board of directors and paid staff directing volunteer efforts in a centralized manner, and primarily fighting big legislative battles at the Iowa Capitol. Iowa CLC is deliberately decentralized and local, keeping a much closer hand on the pulse of the communities we're in, with a volunteer council doing most of the work. Currently, Iowa City Metro is our only chapter.

As for our purpose, as I briefly cited in the invitation, we are dedicated to the protection of civil liberties as codified in the United States Bill of Rights. We believe that eternal vigilance truly is the price of liberty, that the platform given to us by the Bill of Rights is crucial for the pursuit of a more just future for all, and that standing up for our fundamental rights on a local level is one of the most important things we can do as citizens to preserve and strengthen that platform.

I hope this clarifies things a bit, please let me know if you have any further questions. We'll have a representative at the CCPAB meeting on the 27th, but would also love for the board members to share their thoughts and experiences with us individually as per the invitation.

Thanks so much,
Aleksey Gurtovoy
Iowa Civil Liberties Council