

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Harold L. Shapiro.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Commissioner Arthur Johnson made the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meetings of Thursday, May 12, 1988 and Thursday, June 2, 1988.

SECOND: Commissioner Nathan Conyers seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

3. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

Chairperson Shapiro announced that his report would be held until after the Report From the Secretary had been made.

4. REPORT FROM THE SECRETARY

- Suspension Without Pay

Police Officer Cynthia Jefferson-Meeks, badge 1483, assigned to the Tactical Services Section was suspended without pay by Chief of Police William Hart on May 31, 1988.

On November 30, 1987 a complaint was filed alleging that Officer Meeks pointed her service revolver at a citizen on November 29, 1987. The citizen further stated that Officer Meeks was using crack cocaine.

The Internal Affairs Section began an investigation of Officer Meeks placing her under surveillance at various times.

On April 18, 1988 Officer Jefferson-Meeks reported her privately owned revolver stolen from her home during a house party.

REPORT FROM THE SECRETARY CONTINUED

On May 9, 1988 Officer Jefferson-Meeks, while off duty and driving her privately owned car, was accompanied by an unknown companion. During this time Meeks stopped in front of two known narcotics houses and both times the unknown companion entered the narcotics houses and returned to her car a short time later.

Based on these facts Officer Jefferson-Meeks was ordered to submit to a urine test on May 10, 1988.

On May 23, 1988, the Internal Affairs Section was notified that Officer Jefferson-Meeks had tested positive for the presence of cocaine. Officer Jefferson-Meeks denied ever using a controlled substance.

Officer Cynthia Jefferson-Meeks will be charged departmentally with, but not limited to :

- I. CONDUCT UNBECOMING AN OFFICER
- II. USE OF NARCOTICS OR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE
- III. WILLFULLY MAKING A FALSE ORAL OR WRITTEN STATEMENT OR REPORT

Unless contravened by the Commission this suspension will stand.

2. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

Chairperson Shapiro began his report by saying that the suspension was not in violation of any court injunction, the officer has been suspended for reasonable suspicion. He then asked if there was any contravention to the suspension.

There was no contravention to the suspension.

The Chairperson continued his report by saying that Mayor Coleman A. Young received a communication from the Detroit Association of Black Organizations, Incorporated and sent the Commission a copy of the letter. The letter was read into the record, a copy follows: