

Portland Police Officers

(as of April 29, 2010)

538 are not Portland residents

169 are residents

707 TOTAL POLICE FORCE

SOURCE:
PORTLAND OFFICE OF HUMAN
RESOURCES

404
PORTLAND BUILDING
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420 N.E. MAJON ST.
PORTLAND, OR 97211

Reported by
CHARLES E. LONG

Some New Developments Concerning Police Reform

Although there has been much discussion concerning police reform since Chief Mark Kwock, nothing has been mentioned regarding the role of the police chaplain in this equation.

I bring this up because of recent displays of "road rage" by two prominent Portland Police officers.

The duty of the Chaplain is to deal with the emotional and psychological stress inherent with police work - stresses that affect not only the officers' personal and family life, but the way they react with the public they serve.

Oregonian columnist Andy Parker reported recently that research showed that police officers nationally are four times more likely to be involved in domestic violence ^{than} ~~the~~ the general public; and that former Portland Police Chief Harrington said domestic violence within officers' families was "a dirty little secret."

Is the Police Commissioner aware of the effectiveness of the present Police Chaplain? Is the Chaplain effective in his ~~main~~ important responsibility? I never heard his name mentioned. Former Chaplain Ed Stelle, I understand, is now serving the Multnomah County Sheriff's department.

A chaplain can play an important role in effective policing in this city by ministering to the distresses of our police officers.

The Albina Ministerial Alliance has recently published its five-point program for police reform. One of its goals is a change in state law to narrow the authority of police officers to use deadly force.

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In this regard, Pastor Renee Ward of the Vancouver Avenue Baptist Church has formed the "Committee of Everyday People" to draft "Campbell's Law" to be submitted to the 2011 Oregon legislature by State Senator "Chip" Shields, representing Northeast Portland. (Anton Campbell, a relative of Pastor Ward, died in police custody on January 29, 2010.)

Pastor Ward personally conferred with Governor Ted Kulongoski to obtain his support as a ~~post~~ positive final act of his eight year legacy as governor. She expects to gather 1000 supporters at the opening legislative session in January to lobby for passage of the measure.

Committee members also support a new Chief of Police, a new Police Commissioner and a new District Attorney who will serve the citizens of this city, rather than the Police Bureau bureaucracy.

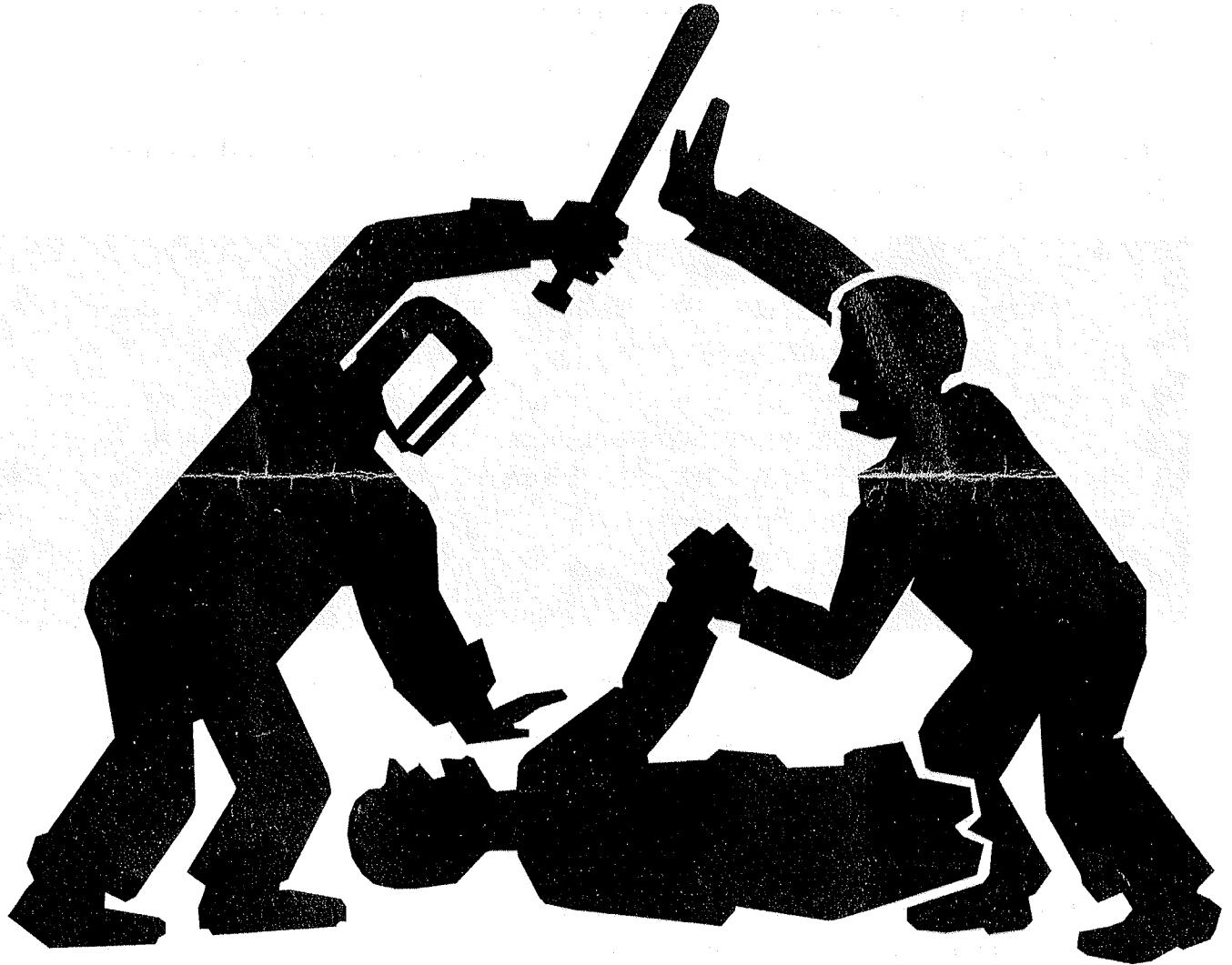
Another issue to be resolved is to require all officers to be residents of this city. The City Council is responsible to enact this sensible ordinance, or elect new Council members who will do so.

The next meeting of the "Committee of Everyday People" is scheduled for Monday, May 10, 6 p.m., in the Vauport Room of Irvington Village, 420 N.E. Mason St. at MLK Blvd. A movie concerning police abuse will be featured.

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Albina Ministerial Alliance Coalition for Justice and Police Reform



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AMA Coalition for Justice and Police Reform

Binding principles for organization and individual membership:

1. Every organization and individual member of the AMA Coalition must embrace the five necessary changes, as listed below. These five points will evolve as we proceed.
2. Every organization and individual must accept the principles of non-violent direct action as enunciated by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
3. Every organization and individual is called to work as a team in concert with one another to achieve the five necessary changes.

The Albina Ministerial Alliance (AMA) Coalition for Justice and Police Reform works to assure oversight to the Portland Police Bureau.

The AMA took the lead in organizing protests after the killings of Kendra James (2003) and James Jahar Perez (2004), and the tasing of 15-year-old Sir Millage (2006), and in the "beanbag" shooting of a 12-year-old girl at a MAX platform (2009). They have also stood shoulder to shoulder with the Justice for Jose Mejia Poot Justice Committee (2001) and the Mental Health Association of Portland in efforts on the James Chasse case.

The AMA Coalition for Justice and Police Reform is working toward these five goals:

1. A federal investigation by the Justice Department to include: Criminal and civil rights violations, as well as a federal audit of patterns and practices of the Portland Police Bureau
2. The City Commissioners to strengthen the Independent Police Review Division and the Citizen Review Committee with the goal of adding power to compel testimony
3. Chief Rosie Sizer and the City Commissioners to fully review the Bureau's excessive force and deadly force policies and training with diverse citizen participation for the purpose of making recommendations to change policies and training.
4. The Oregon State Legislature to narrow the language of the State statute for deadly force used by police officers
5. To establish a special prosecutor for Police excessive force and deadly force cases.

Attend the Coalitions Next Meeting
Save the Date

April 15

**PORTLAND CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION REQUEST
Wednesday Council Meeting 9:30 AM**

Council Meeting Date: May 5, 2010

Today's Date April 28, 2010

AUDITOR 04/28/10 AM 9:54

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Reason for the request:

Some new developments concerning
police reform.

Charles E. Long
(signed)

- Give your request to the Council Clerk's office by Thursday at 5:00 pm to sign up for the following Wednesday Meeting. Holiday deadline schedule is Wednesday at 5:00 pm. (See contact information below.)
- You will be placed on the Wednesday Agenda as a "Communication." Communications are the first item on the Agenda and are taken promptly at 9:30 a.m. A total of five Communications may be scheduled. Individuals must schedule their own Communication.
- You will have 3 minutes to speak and may also submit written testimony before or at the meeting.

Thank you for being an active participant in your City government.

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Request of Charles E. Long to address Council regarding new developments
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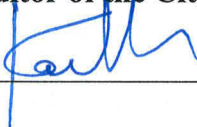
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4. Leonard		
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