

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY
September 8, 2011
City Center-Richmond Hill, Georgia

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Wayne Abernathy
Mr. Rooney L. Bowen, III
Mr. Daniel M. Bryant
Chief Jon Canada
Mr. Kacy K. Cronan
Chief Louis M. Dekmar-via conference call
Mr. Patrick H. Head
Mr. C. Murray Kight
Mr. Lester L. Rampy, Jr.
Sheriff H. Cullen Talton
Mr. Ellison G. Wood

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sheriff Steve Cronic
Sheriff Dane Kirby
Commissioner Brian Owens

OTHERS:

Mr. Joe Drolet, Senior Assistant Attorney General-via conference call
Ms. Cheryl L. Buie, Board Liaison
Colonel M. W. McDonough, Department of Public Safety
Colonel W. W. Hitchens, Jr., Department of Public Safety
Lt. Colonel R. D. Powell, Department of Public Safety
Major Hank Fielding, Department of Public Safety, Georgia State Patrol
Major Eddie Grier, Department of Public Safety, Georgia State Patrol
Major Wayne Beck, Department of Public Safety, MCCD
Captain Gene Davis, Department of Public Safety, MCCD
Captain Kirk McGlamery, Department of Public Safety, GSP
Captain Billy Hitchens, III, Department of Public Safety, GSP
Lt. Clay Kicklighter, Department of Public Safety, GSP
Lt. Chris Wright, Department of Public Safety, GSP
SFC Bruce DeLoach, Department of Public Safety, GSP
SFC Richard Davis, Department of Public Safety, GSP
SFC Chad Riner, Department of Public Safety, GSP
Corporal Jerry Pimentel, Department of Public Safety, GSP
Mr. Joe Hood, Comptroller, Department of Public Safety
Mr. Gordy Wright, Department of Public Safety
Mr. Dan Brown, Department of Public Safety
Mr. Lee O'Brien, Department of Public Safety
Director J. Dale Mann, Georgia Public Safety Training Center
Mr. Butch Beach, Deputy Director, Georgia Public Safety Training Center
Ms. Patrice Kerner, Deputy Director, Georgia Public Safety Training Center
Director Vernon M. Keenan, Georgia Bureau of Investigation
Assistant Director Dan Kirk, Georgia Bureau of Investigation

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Colonel Rueben McGhee, Houston County SO
Mrs. Louise Rampy
Mrs. Allison Bowen
Mrs. Maureen Bryant
Mr. Matt Gaskin
Mr. Jimmy Burnsed, Chairman, Bryan County Commissioner's Office
Sheriff Clyde Smith, Bryan County SO
Mayor Harold Fowler, City of Richmond Hill, GA
Mr. Michael J. Melton, City Manager, City of Richmond Hill, GA
Chief Billy Reynolds, Richmond Hill Police Department
Priest Clark Hubbard, St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church
Chaplain Steve Lane

Vice-Chairman Ellis Wood called the September 8, 2011 Board of Public Safety meeting to order and introduced Richmond Hill PD Chief Billy Reynolds, a long time personal friend and host for this BPS meeting. Chief Reynolds welcomed everyone to Richmond Hill and stated he was glad to host this meeting and hoped that the Board would return another time. Chief Reynolds introduced Dr. Clark Hubbard who gave the devotion. Dr. Hubbard asked everyone to stand and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and then gave the devotional.

Chief Reynolds then introduced Chaplain Steve Lane who serves as the Chaplain for the Richmond Hill Police Department to give the prayer. Vice-Chairman Wood asked for those in attendance to stand and observe a moment of silence for the death of Miss Tiffany Bishop of the DOC Probation Office, Wilcox County Sheriff Bloodworth's wife who was killed in a traffic crash yesterday and in remembrance of the families and victims of the 9/11 attack on our Nation. After a moment of silence, Chaplain Lane prayed.

Vice-Chairman Wood told Chief Reynolds that he sincerely appreciates all that Chief Reynolds has done to host and put together everything for the BPS meeting and asked Chief Reynolds to introduce the local people.

Vice-Chairman Wood stated this meeting was the first time since Colonel Hitchens has retired that the Board has convened and he asked all to stand and publicly thank Colonel Hitchens for his years of service to this state. Vice-Chairman Wood reminded the Board members of what Sheriff Talton had said when the DPS command changes were made, his words were to all of us that morning "we are losing a mighty good man, but we are gaining a mighty good man" and this is also the first time the Board has convened publicly since Colonel McDonough was appointed and expressed to Colonel McDonough that the Board thanks him for assuming this position. Colonel McDonough responded that when he was asked to do this job, he asked if they could wait a couple of years and let someone else come in here behind the legend and then ask me to do the job and it did not work out that way. Colonel McDonough stated Colonel Hitchens is a class act and a mentor; he has been more like a father to him than anything else and thinks all we have to do is follow in Colonel Hitchens' footsteps and we will be good.

Vice-Chairman Wood asked those present to stand and introduce themselves.

Vice-Chairman Wood called for the approval of the May, June, July and August 2011 Board minutes. Mr. Rooney L. Bowen, III made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Danny Bryant and voted approval by the Board members.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

Colonel Mark W. McDonough, Department of Public Safety stated he was asked by Vice-Chairman Wood and Mr. Rooney L. Bowen, III to give a brief statement of philosophy that he will follow as Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety. Colonel McDonough began by stating that the state statute is very clear of what type of organization that we are. The Department of Public Safety is a support agency just like the GBI is a support agency, we are not a State Police organization, and DPS does not have jurisdiction over the police chiefs or the sheriffs. The DPS's job is to supplement and to help the chiefs and sheriffs in their jobs, period. Colonel McDonough added to that end, during the month of September there is something that is going on that will facilitate this support in two ways, one is a Homeland Security effort and the other gets the troopers back out into the community. Colonel McDonough stated in the month of September, the troopers will be visiting schools, critical infrastructure sites, shopping malls and hopefully if the Sheriffs have not received a visit from the GSP, they will get a visit soon. To that end, Colonel McDonough added that the very person that he picked to be the Commanding Officer is a person that believes in that outreach to who we are supposed to be supporting and that is Major Eddie Grier. Colonel McDonough related that Major Grier is not a guy that came up in downtown Atlanta, Major Grier's career has been predominately in Troop D so he knows how to support the locations for where the most crashes are worked and also some of the most rural posts. Major Grier understands that connection with the Chiefs of Police and with the Sheriff's Department, so he is not the Commanding Officer by accident. Colonel McDonough added that folks call Major Grier by nickname "Hooter Grier" and that is because he has a personality that is warming and he is a people person; that is why he was chosen for the Commanding Officer's job. Colonel McDonough stated he has all the faith in the world in Major Grier to take this type of atmosphere and philosophy and put troopers back into the community,

Colonel McDonough gave a recap of the Labor Day Holiday Patrol and stated that last year there were 13 fatalities and this year the state experienced 6 fatalities. There is one fatality pending, a small ten year old child at Egleston Children's Hospital and hopefully he will pull through and we will not add to the 6 fatalities. Even with the rain, the Department had a very good holiday compared to last year. Colonel McDonough stated he noticed a lot of people started heading home on Sunday because of the weather forecast and even though Monday was a huge traffic day, he thinks some of citizens' common sense helped keep the fatality count down.

Colonel McDonough stated that the rain delayed the AMS race and the rainbow man ended up winning the race. The race detail went off without a hitch and once again Major Grier's works at the race detail made this happen. Colonel McDonough remarked that when he was a young trooper and he worked

the detail, there were 140 troopers that were required to take care of the AMS race detail and now Major Grier has it down to 40 troopers. Major Grier has worked all these years with the DOT, new traffic and control devices have been put in and the engineering of the roadways were changed and one of the aspects of Major Grier's career is working with other folks to make things better. Colonel McDonough thanked Major Grier for all the work he has done on the AMS details and for reducing the manpower drastically in a time when DPS has low man power, it is nice to only have to send 40 troopers instead of 140.

Colonel McDonough presented the 2010 Pursuit Summary Report and explained to the newest Board members that one of the first issues that Colonel Hitchens had to address when he became Commissioner was a training aspect in the use of PIT in our pursuits. Colonel McDonough advised that a sub-committee was formed at that time and out of the sub-committee came annual training that each trooper goes through, in particular in the thought process of when to pursue, when not to pursue and to verbalize their actions into a systematic sequence before they make a determination to PIT. Colonel McDonough added that looking at the summary, some of the highlights are that the younger troopers tend to do a lot of the chasing; some of the older troopers are more frugal in their decision making. Colonel McDonough stated one thing that sticks out in the summary is that almost 20 percent of the time the troopers make the decision not to pursue and that is something that is very important in their training, to look at the circumstances and to self initiate not pursuing, because that decision is placed with the trooper in the car, not with the supervisor, we are not looking for supervisors to give permission to pursue. That responsibility is with the officer. Another thing that is interesting when one looks at the report from 2005-present you will see a steady increase of pursuits and it is about 4-5 per cent per year, but since we have seen an economic down turn, just as we have seen violence against police officers go up, people are running a little bit more than they used to and the other thing that is consistent in the summary is the person is 28 years of age, most of them are male and the three reasons why they run either they are DUI, have a suspended license or they are on some form of probation. Colonel McDonough related that the numbers are consistent in the summary and if one looks at the three troops that predominately have the majority of the pursuits, they are the troops that have the majority of the activity in the state; Troop A-northwest corner, Troop D-Major Grier's old area-Villa Rica, Manchester, Forsyth and Troop C which is around the metro Atlanta area. Specifically in the Metro-Atlanta area you will see that the majority of the pursuits are done by the Nighthawks, 65% of pursuits occurred when the Nighthawks are out late at night and they are dealing with drunks. Colonel McDonough added that the only change made as far as the training, we usually send one person around the state to do the annual training; now the Department is pushing this out to the troop level for the training to be done at the troop level by a specific driving instructor in the troop. Same required hours, same consistent type training but we are trying to push it closer to the troop instead of just one person going around the state.

Colonel McDonough brought the DPS Organizational Chart before the Board of Public Safety for approval. Colonel McDonough stated the Organizational Chart has been put into a user friendly document by breaking down the organizational chart and then each subsequent page follows who falls under the person that is from top to bottom, left to right and ends up that if one has a question of who answers to who and how it flows, this should hopefully be a very user friendly document. Colonel

McDonough highlighted four changes in the organizational chart, with the first one being under the Commissioner's office, concerning Captain Paul Cospers, who at this time serves as the Department's uniform Public Information Officer. Colonel McDonough added that Capt. Cospers is a people person and probably missed his calling as a comic and will use those people skills over at the legislature to help Colonel McDonough as the Department's legislative liaison and Capt. Cospers will report directly to Colonel McDonough. The second change that Colonel McDonough highlighted involves Captain Terry Rehberg, the resident computer geek and under the Headquarters Adjutant Major Hank Fielding which has been split into two sides of the house, one is Captain Keith Canup who runs the cars, facilities and on the other side of the house which is computers and radios, that is where we will put Captain Terry Rehberg. Colonel McDonough added that Dan Brown will work hand in hand with Captain Rehberg, as Dan has been an integral part of our agency for the past years with the implementation of our MDTs and our radio system and Dan will retain the title as the Chief Information Officer, which is a very important position because it tends to be the central point of contact with other agencies asking radio related questions or electronic technology questions. Colonel McDonough advised that Captain Dixon will transfer to Internal Affairs working for Director Angie Holt. Captain Dixon has shown a propensity of being a person that gets to the truth and does so very quickly. He is a no nonsense type of investigator and thinks that Capt. Dixon will bring some needed discipline to that group and help Director Holt fulfill her mission.

Mr. Danny Bryant made a motion for the BPS to adopt the DPS Organizational Chart, which was seconded by Mr. Lester L. Rampy, Jr. and voted approval by all Board members.

Colonel McDonough had three dates of events for the BPS members to remember; the first being September 20, 2011 at 1000 hours, Post 3 Cartersville will hold their dedication and ribbon cutting for their new facility. The second event will be October 14, 2011 at 1000 hours for the dedication of the Reidsville Hangar which has about 100,000 square feet and is a beautiful facility and the Department hopes to place assets for firefighting at this hangar. The last event will be 88th Trooper School graduation on November 10, 2011 at the GPSTC at 1000 hours.

Mr. Danny Bryant asked Colonel McDonough how many troopers were in the 88th Trooper School. Colonel McDonough replied that the GSP started with 60 and hopefully will graduate 37 troopers. Colonel McDonough added that the Department is currently interviewing for the 89th Trooper School and have identified three sources of income and have taken this to the executive branch for a green light, there are some discussions and we are moving forward, hopefully the start of the 89th Trooper School will be at the end of October if we get a green light to do so. Mr. Bowen asked Colonel McDonough how many positions there might be and Colonel McDonough stated they are planning on putting 50 cadets in to graduate 30 troopers. This is dealing with the historical numbers that we know that usually the Department loses 33% of the cadets in trooper school.

Director Vernon M. Kennan, Georgia Bureau of Investigation began by stating he was sorry that he missed the dinner last night as he was at Sea Palms with the GBI Internet Crimes against Children Task Force that is set up in the State of Georgia. Director Kennan stated when speaking to the group last night he told them two things that were golden for being the Director of the GBI; for instance he

had a parking spot in front of the building which pays off when it is raining and also if there is something that he does not particularly want to handle or not interested in, he can pass it down to Assistant Director Dan Kirk. Director Keenan stated that one of the great things that he enjoys about being the GBI Director is that he gets to set within boundaries the priorities of the investigative division on the type cases that are worked. Director Kennan stated his absolute priority for the last twenty years has been investigating cases which involve the protection of children. This is one of the reasons why we have such a strong unit in the GBI working internet crimes against children. Georgia has a task force that is made up of GBI agents, 122 local law enforcement agencies, police departments and sheriff's departments that we have helped train in a working partnership with the GBI in working child pornography cases. Georgia has had such great success that for five years in a row this task force has been number one in the nation in the number of cases made and number of arrests made for persons engaged in child pornography. Director Keenan stated when he related this information to Governor Deal; the Governor looked at him very strongly and asked why is being number one in the nation something to be proud of. Director Kennan stated he had to go back and explain very clearly as to why this is because we have made the number of arrests and not because we have worst problems than the rest of the US, we just do not tolerate this. Director Kennan added going hand in hand with the internet crimes against children pornography cases, it was brought to the Governor's attention as well as the local and state law enforcement that the Metro Atlanta area is in the top five cities in the US in the amount of child sex trafficking and to the extent that this has become a very much priority for the federal government. The GBI was given a grant of nearly half million dollars to enhance our child pornography work and to go into working the child sex trafficking unit. This is something of interest to the Governor, he has made it plain to Director Keenan that this is one of his priorities and to that extent, the GBI has turned around and set up a human trafficking unit to specifically work sex trafficking cases, because what we have determined is that the child pornography unit cannot do both of the work, although it is related somewhat, one cannot support both initiatives, so we have set up separate units.

Director Keenan stated he could set priorities and boundaries, but former Governor Perdue had given directions to him and the GBI that the GBI was to assist the three investigators that former Governor Perdue had appointed to investigate cheating in the Atlanta Public School System and the GBI has worked this case doing 900 interviews in support of the cheating investigation. The GBI has completed this work, the report was issued by the special investigators and the GBI is finished. Director Kennan advised that Governor Deal directed the GBI to go in support of the three special investigators to Dougherty County and GBI has been in the school system in Dougherty County since the middle of August 2011. Director Keenan stated it is the GBI's plan to have the GBI's work completed by the end of next week and has committed to the Governor that the GBI would apply whatever resources were needed to have GBI's work completed within 30 days. These are the priorities that were set by Governor Deal.

Director Keenan stated as he explained to his agents two weeks ago, the Governor held a news conference at the Capitol with himself, representatives from the Chiefs Association and the Sheriffs Association and the District Attorneys' Association outlining a problem which has emerged in the state of Georgia with commercial gambling at the internet cafes. Director Keenan explained that the

background on this is that there is an exemption in the gambling laws for sweepstakes and this is designed for something like at McDonald's where you go in and make a purchase and there is some type of promotional sweepstakes to promote the product or the company. There are some organized groups that use this loop hole to set up internet cafes which are nothing more than gambling establishments. Last year the legislature passed a bill that would have addressed some of the problems with the internet cafes because the gambling is there. The bill was so loosely written with so many loop holes in it and would have virtually legalized gambling across the state of Georgia, so the Governor vetoed that bill, which would have addressed internet café gambling, but would have opened up all the other avenues of gambling. Since the Governor vetoed the bill, some of the groups viewed this as an opportunity to really expand into the internet café gambling. Director Keenan added that not only is the Governor concerned, he is angry about this and made it very plain to all state law enforcement to try and prevent the internet cafe gambling from expanding further in the state of Georgia. Director Keenan advised this is what GBI has been doing for the last two weeks and we have been working cases all across the state of Georgia and will continue to do this until this investigation concludes sometime in the future. Hopefully this is an issue that will be addressed at the GA legislature; to not only deal with the internet gambling but to also do something about video poker which is outrageous. Director Keenan stated speaking as a law enforcement officer with the way the laws are written now, video poker and the internet gambling, the only way that law enforcement can make a case to be prosecuted is to apply the same resources to a gambling investigation that we use in drug investigations. Which is like having an officer be a witness to the payoff of cash. This takes a tremendous amount of resources out of local and state law enforcement to address aggressively, but hopefully this will be taken care of in the future with a law change. Director Keenan stated he had spoken with the Governor and told him that law enforcement cannot solve this problem; it will take a law change.

The last item that Director Kennan brought before the BPS members attention, stating he had spoken with the Chiefs Association and the Sheriffs Association and has talked with many individual chiefs and sheriffs about the P.O.S.T issue and stated what he had pointed out to both of the associations, is that GBI has worked three officer involved shootings in a row and when the GBI does the investigation one of the things that we do is check the P.O.S.T. records to determine if the officer is in compliance with the state law as it relates to required training the officer must have and if they are not in compliance with the state law then they have lost their powers of arrest. With three shootings in a row, the officers who were involved in the shootings had a break in their training and had lost their powers of arrest according to P.O.S.T. records. Two of the law enforcement agencies were able to go back and show that the officer had received the training and did in fact have their powers of arrest and got everything straightened out. Director Keenan stated he does not know what will become of the other officer involved shooting. Director Keenan stated an officer involved in a shooting is under tremendous stress after this is over with; we can take instances where the shooting, the use of force is legally justified and then we call into question if the officer had powers of arrest and think what is a legally justified shooting then becomes a problem issue and the officer does not need this, the agency does not need this and it is a problem. Director Keenan stated he has recommended to law enforcement agency heads to go back to every officer they have in their agency and check their training records because under the P.O.S.T. rules, one of these instances, the lack of the break in

training had been 10 years ago. When an officer has that break in training, then the officer has lost the powers of arrest from that point on forward. Atlanta Police Department went back and checked the training records of their officers and by what has been publicized in the media in Atlanta, a major story that they had over 50 officers who did not have the required training and lost their powers of arrest, one went back to 20 years. Director Keenan asked the BPS members to encourage the local law enforcement agencies to go back and check every one of their officers training records to make sure that the officers are in compliance, if they are not in compliance there is a process that the officer can go through with P.O.S.T to have the officer's powers of arrest reinstated. Director Kennan reminded the BPS members that this is a serious issue and he became concerned when seeing these cases come across his desk.

Mr. Rooney L. Bowen, III spoke to Director Kennan of the concerns he learned yesterday on the Ft. Stewart tour. Mr. Bowen stated that Colonel Frederick at Ft. Stewart relayed that General Abrams' great concern at Ft. Stewart involved the soldiers and the use of synthetic marijuana (Spice). Mr. Bowen added that Assistant Director Kirk explained how difficult it is to draw legislation as the components continue to change and this makes it hard to legislate. Mr. Bowen asked Director Keenan if this was something that the GBI could take a pro-active approach on and look at this issue and see if there is something that can be done to tighten this up through legislation or something along these lines.

Director Keenan replied that he serves on the Dangerous Drugs and Narcotics Committee of the IACP which is headed up by the DEA Administration and knows that the DEA at the national level is looking at this very issue and what is the appropriate way to address the synthetic or designer drugs as this is not just a GA problem, it is a national problem and Director Keenan is waiting to see what the DEA will recommend. Director Keenan added that this is a major problem and the laws for synthetic drugs have been outlawed at the national level and around state by state, then what the manufacturer does is turn around and change just a few molecules in the formula and then the law no longer applies. Director Keenan added this is going to continue to be an issue.

Vice-Chairman Wood expressed that the synthetic and designer drugs (Spice) was the one concern and request that Colonel Frederick had for the BPS members. Colonel Frederick asked for any help from the BPS members and the law enforcement to control these drugs. Vice-Chairman Wood stated that Colonel Frederick was concerned with the rate that these drugs were developing in the Army and that they had to be growing at epidemic rates in the high schools and the universities.

Director J. Dale Mann, Georgia Public Safety Training Center began his report by stating he would let the numbers in the GPSTC Board report speak for themselves. Director Mann gave a synopsis of some of the issues the training center is experiencing due to the age of the buildings. Director Mann stated the electrical service is around 30 years old as the GPSTC opened its doors in January 1987, but about 4 years prior to this, the training center was doing site prep and putting in electrical service and basically GPSTC has a 14,400 volt system that comes into the training center broken down into 1700 volts in about three different phases and loops. Director Mann advised there were about 20 miles worth of electrical wiring at the training center and that Georgia Power suggest that one does not go

more than 25 years without replacing wiring and transformers and as usual when one thing breaks everything starts breaking. Director Mann stated that the Department of Juvenile Justice which is part of the GPSTC complex has been running on a generator for the last four weeks; this is how bad it is. About the time we get one place fixed another one breaks. Director Mann reiterated that the bottom line for the GPSTC is 5.3 million dollars of electrical work has to be done, this is pulling new wires, putting in new transformers, long story short, this has got to be done, and this is not optional. Director Mann stated that Ms. Kerner has been in constant contact with OPB and the Office of Planning and Budget has allowed GPSTC to redirect some bond packages that have already been approved. Director Mann added that this is all well and good and gets us through the hard part during the summer with no air-conditioning and since one of the things that went down was the lift station, it is pretty good to treat the sewage for 125,000 gallons a day as this backs up real quick. Director Mann stated that the bottom line for the GPSTC is that we are diverting bond packages and going back to the General Assembly this year and will ask for bonds for what we already had approved to fix things that were already broken. Director Mann stated that the gym floor has to be replaced, because of leaking skylights and these skylights are leaking because we have never replaced the roof and the roof is 25 years old, plus flat roofs do not last 25 years. The GPSTC is struggling and working with the OPB and told the Board members they will be seeing bond packages to replace the bond packages that we already had. Mr. Bowen asked Director Mann how many dollars had been diverted and Ms. Patrice Kerner advised that GPSTC had 3.8 million dollars of bonds and are about 1 million dollars short of bond money.

Director Mann invited everyone to the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony to be held at the GPSTC this coming Sunday at 1100 hours. The GPSTC is hosting this event for someone else.

Director Mann advised the Board members that a couple of months ago there was a problem with contraband getting into the prison; some cell phones, a little dope, mostly tobacco. Director Mann stated in their preliminary look they had just about figured out where the contraband was coming in and we suspected it involved a couple of GPSTC employees, and after video surveillance with the assistance of the GBI, for about three weeks, the training center fired two who were involved and took one to the county jail. Director Mann stated they have to be aggressive as we do not want to introduce contraband into the prison and this is the third person that we have taken out of the training center in eight years in a pair of handcuffs and we will not be anything less than aggressive.

FISCAL REPORTS ENDING JUNE 30, 2011

Mr. Joe Hood, Comptroller for the Department of Public Safety presented the DPS fiscal report ending June 30, 2011 which showed 0.07% remaining in the overall budget.

Mr. Danny Bryant asked if the Aviation Unit was a separate entity and Colonel McDonough replied that as of September 1, 2011, HB414 brought Aviation back to DPS, so all the facilities, all of the pilots, the former mechanics have come back to DPS and added that Billy Smith has been named the Director of the Aviation Unit, a sworn position with the title of Director. Director Smith brings 18,000 flight hours with him, 32 years in airborne law enforcement, he is an examiner for the Federal Aviation Administration and what is interesting is that Director Smith's reputation is not only in southeast

Georgia and the coast, he has been an integral part in training the majority of all the airborne law enforcement folks in the southeastern US. His reputation supersedes itself and Colonel McDonough stated he feels that the Department is lucky to have Director Billy Smith.

Mr. Rooney L. Bowen, III asked Colonel McDonough if the transition went smoothly and if the equipment and funds were transferred to the DPS. Colonel McDonough remarked that in that arm wrestling contest, the Department is happy with how it turned out, the Governor's office was very gracious; there were 2 million dollars in bond funding that was left over and of that 2 million, DPS received 1.8 million dollars. Colonel McDonough stated the Department plans to use the money wisely in purchasing new assets for the pilots.

Assistant Director Dan Kirk of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation presented the GBI fiscal report ending June 30, 2011 which showed 0.02% remaining in their overall budget.

Mr. Danny Bryant asked Assistant Director Kirk which crime labs were actually closed. Mr. Kirk responded that the Summerville Lab was closed. Vice-Chairman Wood asked about the status of the Moultrie Lab. Assistant Director Kirk advised that the Moultrie Lab is open receiving evidence, everyone is hired and in training and probably should see the forensic biologists began some of their serology work, they are not fully trained in DNA yet. Mr. Kirk added that HVAC system is in the process of being replaced.

Ms. Patrice Kerner, Deputy Director for GPSTC presented the GPSTC fiscal report ending June 30, 2011, showing there was a balance of \$695,307.00 and stated that the majority of the remaining \$652,199.00 will carry over to the next fiscal year as the federal funds fiscal year is not the same as the state fiscal year.

DONATIONS

Mr. Joe Hood, Department of Public Safety requested approval of the following donations:

Fuel	\$ 3,500.00/mo.	Coweta Co. Board of Commissioners
Fuel	\$1,400.00/mo.-max	Harris Co. Sheriff's Department
Two televisions	\$ 1,096.00	Wal-Mart Distr. Center, LaGrange, GA
Fuel	\$1,000.00/mo	Dooly Co. Board of Commissioners

Mr. Rooney L. Bowen, III commented on the fuel donation from Dooly County stating this donation was a direct result from Colonel McDonough's philosophy that he spoke about, as the Post Commander took the time and effort to go sit down and talk with the Sheriff that had not been talked to in a long time. It took a 30 minute conversation and in turn Mr. Bowen received a phone call right after the post commander left that the Sheriff was fixing to do something for these troopers and that is

how the fuel money donation came about. Mr. Bowen encouraged the troopers that were present to get out and take the philosophy of Major Grier and Colonel McDonough and get out in to the community.

The motion to accept these donations was made by Mr. Danny Bryant; seconded by Mr. Wayne Abernathy and voted approved by the Board members.

RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Lee O'Brien, Deputy Director of Legal Services for the Department of Public Safety came before the Board of Public Safety with a Resolution asking BPS members to approve the reversion of property located at 1300 Joe Frank Harris Parkway, Cartersville, Bartow County, Georgia formerly occupied by GSP Post 3 Headquarters and Barracks, which is permanently vacated and no longer in use for any purpose by the Department of Public Safety back to Bartow County. Mr. O'Brien stated the property was vacated on June 17, 2011 after a new facility was constructed for Post 3-Cartersville located at 130 SR20 Spur, Cartersville, Bartow County, Georgia.

Mr. Lester Rampy made a motion to approve the reversion of described said property located at 1300 Joe Frank Harris Parkway to Bartow County, Georgia which was seconded by Mr. Murray Kight and voted approval by the Board members.

Mr. Lee O'Brien presented a second Resolution which would authorize the Department of Public Safety to enter into negotiations with the City of Gainesville and to enter into all agreements, including deeds, property interest transfers and lease agreements, with the City of Gainesville and Lee Gilmer Airport for the purpose of providing for aviation operations and the use of an aircraft hangar by the Aviation Division of the Georgia State Patrol.

Chief Jon Canada made a motion to authorize the Commissioner of Public Safety to enter into such contracts and or memoranda of understanding with the City of Gainesville and prepare the appropriate agreements, contracts and supporting documentation for conducting aviation operations and the use of a hangar, including physical enhancements and modifications of such hangar, for use by the Georgia State Patrol and its Aviation Division at Lee Gilmer Airport, Gainesville, all County. This motion was seconded by Mr. Kacy Cronan and voted approval by the Board members.

Mr. Rooney Bowen, III made a motion to adjourn the Board of Public Safety meeting and go into the Georgia Crime Information Center Council, which was seconded by Mr. Danny Bryant and approved by the Board members.

Georgia Crime Information Center Council

GBI Assistant Director Dan Kirk presented the FY2011 CJIS Security Violations Report for the Georgia Crime Information Center which involves unauthorized access and dissemination of criminal justice information. Mr. Kirk reported there were 28 violations reported during FY2011 and presented

the request for approval of actions taken to resolve security policy violations for FY2011 to the Board members for their approval.

Mr. Patrick Head made the motion to accept the GCIC's recommendation; which was seconded by Mr. Murray Kight and voted approval by the Board members.

Mr. Rooney L. Bowen, III made a motion to go back into the Board of Public Safety, which was seconded by Mr. Wayne Abernathy and voted approval by the Board members.

Vice-Chairman Wood reminded the Board members that the BPS will meet October 13th, 2011 in Gainesville and that Sheriff Cronic, Mr. Cronan and Chief Canada will be hosting the meeting. Vice-Chairman Wood added that this meeting will focus on a high school in Gainesville.

Vice-Chairman Wood stated the November 10th meeting corresponds with the GSP trooper school graduation and his thoughts were that the BPS might meet in Forsyth on Wednesday evening and have a meeting around 1600 hours and the GPSTC staff has agreed to host the members for Wednesday night and then attend the trooper school graduation the next morning.

Vice-Chairman Wood stated the December 8th, 2011 meeting will be at GBI Headquarters and then January 2012 the Board will meet back at the Twin Towers.

Vice-Chairman Wood reminded the Board members to remember and to thank those that put in a lot of effort for this Board meeting. Vice-Chairman Wood thanked Chief Billy Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Danny Bryant for their efforts.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Rooney L. Bowen, III
Secretary