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September 18, October 16, and November 20 2020

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Virtual Membership Meeting

Friday, September 18, 2020 10:00 am



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Donald Behrenwald

AGENDA

Call to Order and Announcements: Lody Zwarensteyn, President

Legislative Presentation



During this session, Christin Nohner with RWC Advocacy will review what it takes to be an effective advocate at the state level, including a brief background on the legislative process in Michigan. The session will also cover the most up-to-date developments on the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget process and any legislation of interest to senior advocates.



Lois Carey



no longer alone

Program Presentation

What the Grand Rapids Police Department Wants Seniors to Know Chief Eric Payne

Chief Payne will share the state of the Grand Rapids Police Department, where we are, where we are going, and how we will get there. Included will be the topic of trust with community members, what is being done to prevent crime, crime prevention tips for Senior Citizens, including home safety, identity theft, and how to protect against telemarketing scams.



Robert Levine, MD



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ERIC PAYNE Police Chief

Professional Profile

Eric Payne began his tenure as the Police Chief of Grand Rapids, Michigan, on July 22, 2019. With over 30 years of experience with the Grand Rapids Police Department, Chief Payne remains focused on the priority areas of safety, community policing, transparency, staffing, and training.

Chief Payne grew up in Dowagiac, Michigan. He attended Grand Valley State University, earning a



bachelor of science degree in criminal justice, and worked as a police officer for the university, until he joined the Grand Rapids Police Department, in September 1987. He is a graduate of the Department's Leadership Institute, as well as having received advanced leadership training from the Law Enforcement Executive Leadership Institute and the Leadership Institute for Police Executives and New Chiefs.

Throughout his 32-year tenure with the department, Chief Payne has served on Patrol, in the Vice Unit, and as a member of the Detective Unit's Major Case Team. He has served as a Patrol Watch Commander and as the Administrative Lieutenant for the South Service Area. As a Captain, Chief Payne became the commander of the South Service Area and then the Investigative Division, overseeing the Detective Unit (teams included Major Case, General Case, Combined Auto Theft, and Burglary), Vice Unit, and the Forensic Services Unit. In September 2017, Chief Payne was promoted to Deputy Police Chief of Operations and commanded the Patrol Division, Special Response Team, Traffic Unit, and the Office of Special Events. In addition, Chief Payne has been a member of the Crisis Negotiation Team since 1992 and served as its commander from 2010 until 2018.

Chief Payne and his wife, Jessica (a former Sergeant with the department), have two children.

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