



Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Reservation Business Committee

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Fond du Lac Police Department Invites Community Input on Officer Body-Worn Cameras: Community Meeting Scheduled for August 13, 2024

Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa – Cloquet, Minnesota (July 19, 2024) – The Fond du Lac Police Department (FDLPD) announces a community input session to discuss the proposed purchase and implementation of officer body-worn cameras. This initiative aligns with Minnesota State Statutes 13.825 and 626.8473, which mandate public feedback and the adoption of written policies regarding portable recording systems by law enforcement agencies.

Community Input Session Details:

Date: Tuesday, August 13, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: FDL RBC Chambers, 1720 Big Lake Road, Cloquet, MN 55720

Virtual Option: <https://fdlrez.zoom.us/j/93212416117> Meeting ID: 932 1241 6117 Passcode: 38517

All residents within the Fond du Lac Reservation are invited to participate in person at the FDL RBC Chambers or virtually via Zoom. Those unable to attend may submit their comments via email to records@fdlpd.com or physical mail to 1720 Big Lake Rd. Cloquet, MN 55720 ATTN: FDL Police ensuring receipt no later than the close of business on August 13, 2024.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on Officer Body-Worn Camera Usage:

Who do the officer body-worn cameras protect?

Officer body-worn cameras are used to enhance safety and accountability for both officers and the community by documenting interactions.

How is footage viewed and used by FDLPD?

Footage captured by FDLPD cameras serves various purposes within the department, including investigative, evidentiary, training, and accountability uses. Additionally, footage may be subject to release under specific legal circumstances, such as public records requests or legal proceedings.

Who has access to the footage?

Footage is private data on individuals or nonpublic subject to certain exceptions in the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act.

Can the public request footage?

Public access is governed by the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act and departmental policies through formal requests.

Where and how long is the footage stored?

Footage is securely stored in compliance with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act and department policies on secure servers located on the Fond du Lac Reservation.

Community Meeting FAQs:

Who should attend?

All residents within the reservation boundaries are encouraged to participate.

When and where is the meeting?

Tuesday, August 13, 2024, at FDL RBC Chambers, 1720 Big Lake Road, Cloquet, MN 55720 on the Fond du Lac Reservation, with a virtual option via Zoom: <https://fdlrez.zoom.us/j/93212416117> Meeting ID: 932 1241 6117 Passcode: 38517

What can attendees expect?

An opportunity to voice opinions, concerns, and questions regarding officer body-worn camera use by FDLPD.

Review of Fond du Lac Police Department Operation Manual Policies:

Policy 423 – PORTABLE AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDERS

Policy 804 – RECORDS MAINTENANCE AND RELEASE

