



# St. Petersburg Police Department News Release



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## **Chief Charles “Chuck” Harmon held three Chain of Command Boards today**

As a point of information, Chain of Command boards are held whenever the Department’s Internal Affairs Division concludes an investigation of an employee.

A Shooting Review Board was held for Sergeant Karl Lounge, Detective David Gerardo, Officers Bradley Bryan, Ruben DeJesus, Matthew Hansell, Donald Herring, Patrick McGovern, Allan McTavish, Ronald Try, and Douglas Weaver all of whom had discharged their weapons during the January 24, 2011 confrontation with homicide suspect Hydra Lacy.

Chief Harmon determined the actions of all of the officers who discharged their weapons were justified.

The second board involved Officer Christopher Dixon, a sworn officer since 2008.

Chief Harmon determined the allegations against Officer Dixon for Conviction or Guilt of a Misdemeanor or Felony were not sustained. Allegations of Conduct Unbecoming an Employee were sustained and Officer Dixon received an employee notice and a two day suspension.

The third board involved Officer Jeffrey Gosnell and Officer Colin Brooks, both sworn officers since 2006.

Chief Harmon determined the allegations against Officer Gosnell and Officer Brooks for Unnecessary Force, Inefficiency & Conduct Unbecoming an Employee were unfounded..

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