

Minutes approved by Public Safety Advisory Commission on January 22nd, 2020

1. ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order by Jayne Cravens.

Members Present: Anne Niven, Glenn VanBlarcom, Jayne Cravens and Tom Epler

Members Absent: Drue Garrison and Jeffrey Boivin

Liaisons Non-Voting Representatives Present: Tim Rippe, Kevin Noreen and Guy Storms

Others Present: Dave Nemeyer and Janie Schutz

2. INTRODUCTIONS

Self-Introductions were made.

3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

MOTION TO APPROVE NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES. Moved by Glenn VanBlarcom, seconded by Anne Niven. **Unanimous.**

5. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS: This is Jayne Cravens last meeting. At the next meeting, election of officers, bylaws discussion and 2020 calendar should be on the agenda.

6. STAFF REPORTS

Police Department- Chief Schutz briefed the group on the recent police memorandum.

The department entered into an agreement with Washington County Sheriff's office for shift coverage between the hours of 3am and 7 am until further notice. One of the reasons behind this is that there are nine sworn bodies that are non-deployable right now.

There is an upcoming annual town hall meeting that will cover the new police facility.

Chief Schutz is working with the News Times to do a story on homeless/transient individuals in Forest Grove.

What is the biggest confusion with the new facility? Lack of understanding on the importance of why the department needs evidence (room to keep evidence) and additional room (holding cells).

Fire Department – There were a number of crashes, two of them fatalities. A gentleman who was recently electrocuted, made a full recovery. The

Gales Creek house has all four beds occupied. The light parade is this weekend. One firefighter is still out due to an injury sustained in a collapsed structure. SAFER grant interviews will be conducted next week.

City Council- There have been eight applications to fill Tom Johnston's vacancy. Interviews on Monday will be during a work session and then a public vote will follow at the normal meeting. The appointment will occur in January. The process involving the new police facility is at the stage where the architectural firm has sent the project out to another party to do the cost estimates. The architectural firm received those back, but will need to go through each line item to confirm.

Council will received presentations on the Goodwill/Safeway access, as well as the 21st and Main Street enhancement.

The Western Washington County Task Force will present general recommendations to all five agencies by the end of January.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

Youth Homeless Presentation- Homeplate is a nonprofit organization based in Washington County (Beaverton, Hillsboro and Aloha) focusing on homeless youth.

A presentation was projected to the group regarding the safety issues that homeless youth face.

A lot of youth do not feel safe in shelters (with adults). Hyperthermia is also an issue. Roundtable discussion regarding outreach.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING** – January 22nd, 2020 at Forest Grove Fire Department.

9. **ADJOURN**

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