



PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 4, 2015
Pierce County Department of Emergency Management
2501 S. 35th St, Suite D
Tacoma, WA 98409

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 5:14 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Present: Bryan Thomas, Joseph Boyle, Alan Hart, Michael Lacadie, Ray Dotson, Julio Perez-Tanahashi and Sheri Badger

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Excused: Lonnie Lai and Aaron Young

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Absent: none

City Councilmember Present: Mary Moss

Fire Department Staff Present: Emergency Management Coordinator Rachel Adler

Lakewood Youth Council Present: Riki Takeuchi.

Staff Present: Assistant Chief Mike Zaro, Committee Staff Support, Joanna Nichols, Administrative Assistant.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Alan Hart motioned to approve the January minutes. All ayes; minutes were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Bob Saul asked PSAC to look into the Ft. Steilacoom barn hazard. He mentioned the lead that is seeping into the ground, as well as improper signage around the area. He stated he has asked the City Council about it, but he is now asking PSAC to assist with it as well. Discussion ensued.

FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS

Handout- January 2015 Alarm Summary Report

Assistant Fire Chief Karl Roth was unable to attend the meeting, but Emergency Management Coordinator Rachel Adler filled in for him and brought the members January's numbers.

Emergency Management Coordinator Rachel Adler reminded everyone that they would be holding three new CERT training sessions on February 23rd, March 31st and May 19th if they knew anyone who might be interested in attending. Joanna Nichols stated LPD posted the flyers on their Facebook page and Ms. Adler shared that they had already received some registrations due to that post.

Bryan Thomas asked Emergency Management Coordinator Rachel Adler to find out what the regulations were for fire extinguishers in apartment complexes. Alan Hart asked her to also find out how often the Fire Marshall checked that apartment complexes were following said regulations. Ms. Adler stated she would ask Chief Dobbs. Discussion ensued.

Emergency Management Coordinator Rachel Adler stated they were hiring 4 new people in suppression and would be hiring one more, as well as 2 new dispatchers and 2 new admin positions.

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

Councilmember Mary Moss shared some of the upcoming events within the City and stated that the Community Listens event last month was very well attended. Now we will just have to wait and see what happens.

Bryan Thomas shared that Councilmember Brandstetter had informed him there were openings on the CDBG committee if anyone knew anyone who might be interested.

Joseph Boyle asked about the citizen concern brought by Mr. Bob Saul. Councilmember Mary Moss stated that it was a money issue; they were trying to find the money to make sure that the hazardous materials were cleared correctly and safely. Discussion ensued. Mr. Saul stated that the City Manager John Caulfield had stated he had already contact Representative Murray in an attempt to get assistance from the State to get it cleaned up.

POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS

Handout-Crime and Incident Report (December 2014)

Assistant Chief Mike Zaro answered questions regarding the monthly statistics and stated he would get the homicide numbers updated to reflect the correct number.

Assistant Chief Mike Zaro gave a hiring update, mentioned our new Mental Health Provider would start working with us this week, and gave a brief case recap on a child-luring person. Alan Hart asked if there were any more updates on body cams. Assistant Chief Zaro stated that LPD tested 3 cameras for 30 days; in that time there were over 900 videos generated. It is very much a management/PDR issue now.

YOUTH COUNCIL COMMENTS

Riki Takeuchi discussed all the upcoming events the Youth Council was participating in over the next month, as well as sharing what they had done for the month of January.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bryan Thomas stated we would hold most of our unfinished business over until next month since Assistant City Attorney Kimberly Cox was unable to attend the meeting.

Bryan Thomas asked about parking for the US Open. Assistant Chief Mike Zaro stated he had a meeting next Thursday or Friday and he would ask again then, but he was pretty certain there would be no charge for parking at Ft. Steilacoom Park. Discussion ensued.

Bryan Thomas asked Councilmember Mary Moss about the railroad issue. Councilmember Moss stated it wasn't going away. The City Manager was working with Legislature to get some things done prior to it coming in, and Sound Transit was in the mix, as well.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF

Ray Dotson stated that he had attempted, yet again, to attend the January 27th Springbrook meeting only to find the building it was supposed to be held in was now condemned. Discussion ensued.

Bryan Thomas and Sheri Badger reminded everyone that she would be doing tours of the Pierce County Emergency Management building after the meeting for anyone interested.

ADJOURNMENT

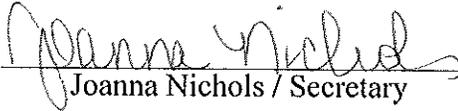
Alan Hart motioned to adjourn the meeting; all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Public Safety Advisory Committee

Attest:



Bryan Thomas, Chair



Joanna Nichols / Secretary