

PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 7, 2019
Lakewood Police Department
9401 Lakewood Drive SW
Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Present: Alan Hart, James Hairston, Ken Witkoe
Michael Arnett, Ray Dotson and Mark Peila

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Excused: None

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Absent: None

City Councilmember Present: No one from City Council was able to be present

Fire Department Staff Present: No one from the Fire Department was able to be present

Lakewood Youth Council Present: School out for summer.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mark Peila motioned to approve May's meeting minutes. All ayes; minutes were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

No one from City Council was able to be present.

FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS

No one from the Fire Department was able to be present.

POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS

Chief Michael Zaro discussed National Night Out and stated he felt it was another successful event and year.

Chief Michael Zaro stated that the focus for the Department, currently, was on hiring and discussed how our last hiring testing process went.

Chief Michael Zaro stated we have our first Citizens Academy coming up soon and more information on that would be going out.

Chief Michael Zaro discussed the speed emphasis the Department would be conducting in the month of August. Discussion ensued.

YOUTH COUNCIL COMMENTS

Youth Council is out for the summer.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Fireworks were discussed. Chief Zaro gave a presentation regarding the numbers from the Fire Department, as well as LPD, and included footage from drone videos taken around 10 p.m. on the 4th of July. A subcommittee was created to draft up a letter to send to City Council with a recommendation for an advisory vote of the citizens. Two options suggested in the vote: a total ban or a city sponsored event, to include suggestions on where that money was supposed to come from for the city sponsored event. Discussion ensued. The sub-committee will present a draft to the Committee at the next meeting (October 2nd, 2019).

NEW BUSINESS

Mark Peila asked about the District 6 crime increases he was noticing in the "Lakewood at a Glance" section of the 2nd quarter Report. Discussion ensued.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF

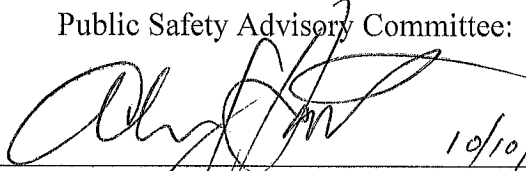
Ray Dotson volunteered to attend the Tillicum Neighborhood Association Meetings. Other members gave their meeting reports, as applicable.

Michael Arnett asked some questions regarding protocols for Animal Control call outs. Discussion ensued.

ADJOURNMENT

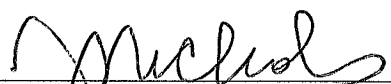
Mark Peila motioned to adjourn the meeting; all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Public Safety Advisory Committee:



Alan Hart, Vice Chair 10/10/19

Attest:



Joanna Nichols, Secretary