

## **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, February 5, 2020  
Lakewood Police Department  
9401 Lakewood Drive SW  
Lakewood, WA 98499

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

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

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Excused: None

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Absent: None

City Councilmember Present: Councilmember Mike Brandstetter

Fire Department Staff Present: Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams

Lakewood Youth Council Present: Dante Ost, Theresa Pacio, Josephine Kaiser and Lynese Cammack

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

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Two members of the Youth Council came to ask PSAC about the need for a crosswalk near their school at 112<sup>th</sup> Street. Discussion ensued. Chief Zaro will bring this request to the Public Works Department.

PRESENTATION: Western State Hospital CEO David Holtz and Kathy Speers gave a presentation on Western State Hospital and all the plans for the institution moving forward, to include their new building, which should be operational within the next 6 years, and discussed their new Star Ward, and the ACIT- Advanced Crisis Intervention Training they have begun for staff members. Q and A session; discussion ensued.

## CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

Councilmember Mike Brandstetter introduced himself as the City Council liaison, and stated that community development was a priority for 2020. Councilmember Brandstetter discussed the new Community Court and stated they would like PSAC's input on that.

## FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS

Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams introduced himself, stating he would be attending the PSAC meetings now as Hallie McCurdy had been promoted to Deputy Fire Chief. He presented their call stats for the year, and reminded everyone of their Smoke Alarm program and to check their smoke alarms.

## POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS

Chief Michael Zaro discussed the year-end report, and gave some recent case review. Discussion ensued.

Mark Terry asked about boating safety on Steilacoom Lake and traffic circles in Lakewood. Chief Michael Zaro stated he would bring up the traffic circles with Public Works, and stated that our Marine Services Unit (MSU) has two wave runners that they can use to patrol the smaller lakes, and they do use them, staffing permitting.

## YOUTH COUNCIL COMMENTS

Dante Oste discussed their Youth Summit coming up in March; they're expecting about 500 in attendance and the topic will be Youth Empowerment.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chair Ken Witkoe discussed the upcoming Joint Meeting with the City Council and asked Vice Chair James Hairston to explain to the committee the Clover Creek railroad crossing issue which had recently come up again, when Mr. Hairston learned it was not on the "to do list" for Public Works. Discussion ensued. It was agreed to ask Councilmember Mike Brandstetter to bring the issue back up to City Council, so it could hopefully be added back onto the to do list.

### NEW BUSINESS

Chair Ken Witkoe discussed next month's meeting.

### REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF

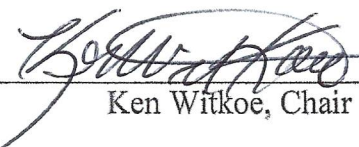
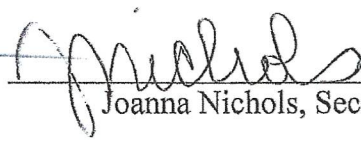
Members discussed their Neighborhood Associations, as applicable; most are not meeting right now.

### ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Public Safety Advisory Committee:

Attest:

	
_____ Ken Witkoe, Chair	_____ Joanna Nichols, Secretary