



PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 3, 2020

Zoom Virtual Meeting

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 and Councilmember Mary Moss

Fire Department Staff Present: Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams

Lakewood Youth Council Present: School out for summer; no Youth Council reps at this time.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Charles Ames emailed a two part question, which was read into the record by Chair Ken Witkoe.

PRESENTATION: Councilmember Mary Moss presented information about the Lakewood Multicultural Coalition. Discussion ensued.

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

Councilmember Mike Brandstetter stated that the Covid-19 mandates are making it difficult for the City Council to get new things moving forward and reminded everyone that the City Council would be listening to public comments regarding Fireworks on September 8th and the Council's plans from that point forward.

Councilmember Mike Brandstetter stated that the City Council had appointed 23 students to the Youth Council.

Mr. Ray Dotson asked about a Suburban Times article, which he stated makes erroneous and out of context claims regarding PSAC, and asked what his limitations are regarding a response. Discussion ensued.

YOUTH COUNCIL COMMENTS

No Youth Council (school is out).

FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS

Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams discussed the Fire Department's 4th of July call response, and stated it was about the same as last year.

Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams stated WPFR has a new vehicle, called Squad 21, and explained the types of calls they have been helping with. Chief Adams also updated everyone on WPFR's Covid staffing and safety measures, as well as shared information regarding the Pierce County Public Health and DEM sponsored Covid-19 testing they and LPD assisted with recently. Over 300 people showed up for testing.

Mr. Mark Terry asked if there was a plan to do some education around escape plans, smoke detectors, etc. since so many people will be at home doing distance learning during this time. Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams stated they are planning on doing some educational videos in September and October.

POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS

Chief Michael Zaro went over the LPD Quarterly Report and addressed the public comment, stating LPD is still waiting for the outside investigation to be completed; they are being told that is several weeks out still. Discussion ensued.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ken Witkoe asked if the SummerFest Sub-Committee had come to any conclusions on what PSAC would be contributing to this year's SummerFest. Discussion ensued. It was decided the sub-committee would come up with some ideas and submit them for next meeting. PSAC members will vote then. Chief Mike Zaro stated they should make sure they have some informational brochures to hand out as well.

NEW BUSINESS

Ken Witkoe discussed next month's meeting guest speaker LPD Reserve Officer Travis Smith; Chief Michael Zaro stated he would see if Reserve Officer Grant Boere could come as well.

Ken Witkoe discussed recruitment for PSAC. Alan Hart stated he will update the Neighborhood Association list as it was suggested the information for Springbrook was no longer accurate. James Hairston volunteered to cover the Tillicum/Woodbrook meeting. Ray Dotson asked how many members are supposed to be on the Public Safety Advisory Committee. Councilmember Mike Brandstetter suggested they check with the City Clerk. Mark Terry suggested finding a business partner to join the Committee, for their views and input regarding the City. Discussion ensued.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF

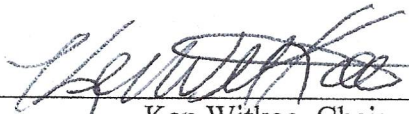
Members discussed their Neighborhood Associations, as applicable. Mark Peila stated that LPD's Behavioral Mental Health Contact Team (BMHCT) Ralph Rocco and Carolyn Cyr came to speak at the North Neighborhood Association and they did a great job.

ADJOURNMENT

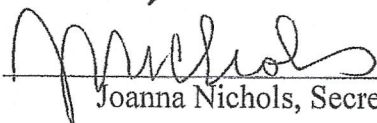
Alan Hart motioned to adjourn the meeting; all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Public Safety Advisory Committee:

Attest:



Ken Witkoe, Chair



Joanna Nichols, Secretary