



**Lakewood Public Safety Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes**

MEETING PLACE/DATE:

Lakewood Police Department, August 7, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

5:21 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Lakewood Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Present: James Hairston, Mark Piela, Kamarie Wilson, Ray Dotson, Teresa Imholt-King, Julius Brown and Kris Alston

Lakewood Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Absent: Ken Witkoe

Staff: Assistant Chief John Unfred and Admin Assistant Joanna LaVergne

Youth Council Liaison: Youth Council is out for the summer.

Council Liaison: Councilmember Trestin Lauricella was unable to attend.

West Pierce Fire and Rescue Liaison: Assistant Fire Chief Michael Dobbs.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The wrong minutes were voted on; Joanna LaVergne will provide both April 2024 and August 2024 minutes for approval at the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment.

Kamarie Wilson asked if she could make a comment "as a citizen" rather than the Chair for a moment. Kamarie stated that she, and prior member Tod Wolf, both attended the LPD Citizens Academy and truly enjoyed it, and appreciated all the

hard work the Department put into making the Academy a rewarding learning experience. Discussion ensued; Kamarie Wilson highly encouraged all PSAC members to attend the next session, if they hadn't already done the class.

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS:

Councilmember Trestin Lauricella was unable to attend the meeting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:

Assistant Fire Chief Michael Dobbs, gave a recap of their recent fire calls and 4th of July calls as well as SummerFest and National Night Out.

POLICE COMMENTS:

Assistant Chief John Unfred discussed SummerFest, National Night Out, and notified everyone of our upcoming 20th Anniversary celebration which will be held on August 27th at the Farmers Market between 2-7 p.m. Discussion ensued.

YOUTH COUNCIL COMMENTS:

There was no Youth Council present as they are out for the summer.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Board Comments:

Chair Kamarie Wilson asked about the Business Public Safety Survey. Discussion ensued. Because the entire subcommittee is no longer viable (all members terms have expired), and current members are unclear what direction to take next considering the City's recent survey, it was decided the Committee would check in with the City Council on this item at their joint meeting on August 12th.

Chair Kamarie Wilson asked about the plans for Truck and Tractor Day. Once again, all members of the planning subcommittee are no longer on the committee. Discussion ensued. It was agreed that members would each man a portion of the event, and a quick sign-up sheet was verbally created. Joanna LaVergne will reach out to Parks and Rec to make sure they have tables, chairs, and a canopy set up for them to use. Kamarie Wilson and Joanna LaVergne will gather brochures such as CERT, Auto Theft Task Force, and PSAC, for the members to hand out.

Chair Kamarie Wilson also mentioned PSAC having a booth at the Farmer's Market each year. Discussion ensued. Teresa King suggested creating an "SOP" for any events for which PSAC wanted to have a presence. It was agreed to focus on Truck and Tractor Day this year and see about Farmer's Market next year.

Assistant Chief John Unfred gave a presentation on the Emergency Management Coalition and the way the City Emergency Management Plans were developed and as well as the timing for renewing said plans.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board Comments:

Chair Kamarie Wilson and Joanna LaVergne went over the accomplishments form for PSAC's presentation to City Council on August 12th. Additions from this meeting were suggested, and the form was approved for submission to City Council. A head count was taken for who would be at the meeting, as well.

Assistant Chief John Unfred informed everyone that LPD would be holding their Awards and Commissioning Ceremony on August 19th at 7 p.m. at the City Council meeting. He stated that LPD would be presenting Dr. Alan Hart with an award for his many years of service to PSAC, in case any of the members would like to be present for that.

Chair Kamarie Wilson suggested the possibility of PSAC members riding along with officers on National Night Out next year. Discussion ensued.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF:

Board Comments:

No committee members had an update to share so Chair Kamarie Wilson asked the new members to introduce themselves and give some background on their community involvement.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mark Peila motioned to adjourn; all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

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Joanna LaVergne, Staff Person/Minutes