



LEE'S SUMMIT PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY
BOARD MEETING ACTION LETTER
CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT, MISSOURI



DATE: April 20, 2021		TIME: 3:00 p.m.		PLACE: Zoom Virtual Meeting	
ROLL CALL					
Board Members Present:		Board Members Present:		Staff Present:	
Other Guests:					
Bruce Trammell, Chairperson		X		Fire Chief, Mike Snider	
James Pryde		X		Asst. Fire Chief, Jim Eden	
Kenneth Davis		Absent		Police Chief Travis Forbes	
Jennifer Nussbeck		X		Chief Counsel – Civil Law – Beth Murano	
Fred Pickard		Absent			
Neil Ullery, Vice Chairperson		X			
Fred Delibero		Absent			
Bill Morrow		X			
Ken Carter		Absent			
Fred DeMoro, City Council Liaison		X			
PUBLIC COMMENTS					
None					
BOARD COMMENTS					
Chairperson Bruce Trammell called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.					
APPROVAL OF AGENDA					
Chairperson Trammell requested approval of the Agenda. Board Member James Pryde moved to approve the Agenda, with Vice Chairman, Neil Ullery seconding the motion. The Agenda was approved with no one opposed.					
AGENDA ITEMS:		DISCUSSIONS		CONCLUSIONS	
None					
APPROVAL OF MINUTES					
Chairman Trammell requested approval of the minutes of the March 16, 2021 virtual meeting. Board Member James Pryde questioned a comment made by Board Member Kenneth Davis at prior meeting, “fortunate we aren’t downed by community” during a discussion regarding all police departments having issues with recruitment at March meeting. Approval of minutes will be placed on hold for May 18 meeting when Board Member Kenneth Davis can be asked about comment.					
COMMITTEE REPORTS					
Animal Control-Neil Ullery		None			
Miscellaneous Issues: Fred Pickard		None			
Ordinance Review-James Pryde		None			
Tow Committee- Fred Pickard, Kenneth Davis, Jim Pryde		None			
Traffic Safety- Jim Pryde and Jennifer Nussbeck		None			



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OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

City Council Liaison Fred DeMoro received an e-mail from Karen Walker regarding an issue with a pit bull when walking. Chief Forbes stated it is an active Dangerous Dog case with the owner appealing. It is pending. The dog is still impounded.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Fire Department

Fire Chief Snider stated that last year the 4th of July ordinance was altered. The dates this year will be July 3, 4, & 5th.

Chief Snider gave updates on Station 4 & 5. The first meeting with LeMay, Erickson, Williams went well. This meeting addressed carcinogens and mental health issues. The design phase will be in the next few months with a start date in 2022. Station 5, at MO 150 and Regatta, next to Scooters off 150, is in limbo. Station 5 will mirror Station 4 on the inside; exterior may be different.

There is one vacancy in their Communications Center with one candidate being made an offer. This would bring them up to standard. There are two Firefighter vacancies. He stated that in the 18 months that he has been Chief that they are in a constant hiring process. There are new contestants for Firefighter and interviews will be May 3 and 4th.

Dep. Chief Eden – Statistics

There was an increase in residential structure fires reported. Commercial fires remain at a constant. EMS calls were up in March. Motor vehicle collisions were down a little. There was an increase in illegal burns. 959 total responses.

Police Department

Police Chief Forbes stated things are going well at the Police Department. They are focusing on staffing CMS and officers. Interviews are in the process.

The building project currently is focusing on Records, the PSO area and Operations. This is the hardest part of the project. Chief is now in his office with new paint and carpet installed in this area. The new Community Room will be open in the next few months and then PSAB can once again meet in person.

Chief Forbes sent a survey to PSAB members regarding department values, mission statements, etc. Chief Forbes indicated their input would be welcomed.

Chief Forbes stated that the verdict on the Chauvin case was coming in and hoped it would be peaceful.

In the statistics, there was a child abuse case where the infant involved died and is probably the first homicide of 2021. The Jackson County Prosecutors will handle it.

The numbers are good; crime is low. Crashes are up because more people are out and about. The department is getting back to more proactive work than was being done during COVID. A large portion of the staff have been vaccinated.

Board Member James Pryde commented about speeding on Woods Chapel and stated he realized it is mixed jurisdiction in this area (Park Ridge). There have been break ins at night into garages. Pryde commented that Ring cameras are prevalent and several videos are posted right away.



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	<p>Pryde was curious as to whether the Ring cameras were helping. Chief Forbes stated yes, it helps. They do not solve all, but when we get a good picture put on social media for TIPS it can help.</p> <p>Chief Forbes was to give the LPR Report. Chief Counsel, Civil Law, Beth Murano said it would be better to place on the Agenda for next month for the public to see.</p>
Public Works	None

ROUNDTABLE

Chairperson Trammell asked each board member if they had anything and each answered no. Trammell stated next month was election of Vice Chairperson and Chairperson. Trammell stated he would bow out for someone else to take over.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Bill Morrow moved to adjourn. Vice Chairman Neil Ullery seconded the motion.

Chief Forbes stated that we are in the re-accreditation process. Chief Forbes stated that CALEA is difficult, but he had great feedback. The Assessors were from California and Ohio. He stated he appreciated the PSAB support, staff, and citizens.

Chairperson Bruce Trammell adjourned the meeting at 3:28 p.m.



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