



**Minutes of the
Public Safety Advisory Board
August 16, 2022
3:00 p.m. – Police Department
Administration Conference Room
10 NE Tudor Road, Lee's Summit, Missouri**

3:00 p.m. Chairman Ullery called the Public Safety Advisory Board to order

ROLL CALL:

Council Liaison Fred Demoro	Present	<u>Staff Present:</u>	<u>Guests:</u>
Chairman Neil Ullery	Present	Fire Chief Mike Snider	Present
Vice Chairman Jim Pryde	Present	Asst. Fire Chief Jim Eden	Absent
Board Member Fred Pickard	Present	Chief Travis Forbes	Present
Board Member Kenneth Davis	Present	Major Cary Colyne	Present
Board Member Bruce Trammell	Present	City Traffic Engineer	
Board Member Bill Morrow	Present	Susan Barry	Present
Board Member Mark Leetch	Present	Chief Counsel of Public Safety – Civil law	
Board Member Randy Johnson	Present	Beth Murano	Present
Board Member Jennifer Nussbeck	Present		

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments.

2. BOARD COMMENTS:

3. APPROVAL OF ADENDA:

Board Member Ken Davis moved for the approval of the Agenda. Board Member Bill Morrow seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved with none opposed.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Vice Chairman James Pryde motioned for the approval of the minutes from the July 19, 2022 meeting. Board Member Ken Davis seconded the motion.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Animal Control – Bill Morrow

No issues to report.

B. Miscellaneous Issues – Fred Pickard

No issues to report.

C. Ordinance Review - James Pryde

No issues to report.

D. Tow Committee – Fred Pickard

No issues to report. Next year Ron's contract will expire January 31, 2023. New contract bid will begin.

E. Traffic Safety – Jennifer Nussbeck

No issues to report.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

There being no items to discuss, the Board moved onto New Business.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

Fire Department –

Fire department's plans for the replacement of stations 4 & 5 will go before the City Council tonight (8-16-2022). Significantly overbudget due to Covid. If approved, groundbreaking will be around October or November with completion by next October. Will be using same construction company as the Police Department. Will be working simultaneously between stations.

LSFD will be changing to a "leased" status will all fire apparatus moving forward. This ensures consistency throughout the fleet. With similar features on each apparatus, training will decrease for new/one style apparatus. Vehicle maintenance will be able to maintain parts for one make/model of apparatus. Lowest and best interest rates received were with JPMorgan at 2.6 %. Received full council approval.

Two ambulances will be purchased this year and they will be switching from diesel to gasoline. September 1st is the deadline for the purchase or the rate will increase.

Orientation Packet –

Orientation packets were provided to the PSAB by board members Bruce Trammell, Randy Johnson and Fred Pickard. The packet was reviewed and discussed regarding some amendments made. Under responsibilities, the original packet had 6 points of responsibilities. The updated packet has 4 points which will cover the needed material.

Questions were raised regarding why some PSAB committees, such as the tow committee, has several members while others, such as the traffic committee, only has one. Chief Counsel for Public Safety, Beth Murano advised this would be something to for her to analyze and she believed it was possible to add committee members as long as it was prescribed by charter that they would have a certain number. Possibly look to add another member to Traffic Safety and Animal Control. Chief Counsel advised about possibly having an alternate as well.

Will review once again next PSAB meeting in September.

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

A. Fire Department – Fire Chief Mike Snider

Three fire department employees reached their 5-year anniversary with the city. No promotions have happened since the last PSAB meeting. There are 5 new employees who went through orientation and completed the process. They were sworn in. Will hire more employees with the Public Safety Sales Tax having passed.

Fire department is still working with the Police department on the budget for the public safety tax.

B. Police Department – Police Chief Travis Forbes

Currently 6 officers down, however, the PD is close to being fully staffed. Independence Police Department are currently 50 officers down. They have a \$8,000 sign on bonus but are still struggling to hire new officers.

Vehicle fleet is also a problem for the PD. Prices for Ford Explorers have increased.

DARE officers are trying a new program due to problems with DARE American during the pandemic. The PD created a new curriculum because of DARE's inflexibility.

Police Officers with the R-7 School District worked on a new program, which is pertinent to our community, called IMPACT. The PD will have an officer come and present it to the PSAB. If it is successful, the PD will continue to teach IMPACT, which is unique to Lee's Summit, and COMBAT, who currently funds the DARE program, has been supportive.

C. Public Works – Traffic Engineer Susan Barry

Mid to late September, Chipman Rd. & 50 Hwy will be open for right turns only.

Atalie doing great job with parking enforcement as it relates to the Farmer's Market complaints.

New median by Chase Bank is done and there will be a "keep right" sign on both sides.

9. ROUNDTABLE:

Nothing for discussion.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Board member Ken Davis made a motion to adjourn with Board member James Pryde seconding the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:21 p.m.