



PSAC MEETING MINUTES

April 20, 2020

Committee Members Present

Steve Marker, Russell Williams, Terry Hill, Grant Murrell, Lynnina Woods, Deborah Aronson, and David Gregory

Others Present

Councilor Cathi Forsythe (Council liaison), Mayor Brian Cooper (City of Fairview), and MCSO Capt. James Eriksen (Fairview Chief of Police)

Members Absent

None

Approval of Minutes

February 2020 minutes approved and signed by Chair Steve Marker (March 2020 meeting did not occur due to the COVID global pandemic)

Citizens Wishing to Speak on Non-Agenda Items

Matney Street

Citizen Chelsea Jones wished to speak about issues on Matney Street. She wanted MCSO to be proactive on potential homeless camps that may spring up, due to the COVID-19 and an individual whose family lives on Matney. The individual, referred to as "Mikey" is believed to walk around high on drugs and has been agitated, while in the neighborhood. She said neighbors have called the police on "Mikey" and she feels "Mikey" should not be allowed anywhere on Matney Street. The concerned person is "Mikey" walks around high and agitated in the neighborhood. Neighbors advised to call the police. He shouldn't be allowed on Matney Street.

MCSO has been called to Matney Street on March 26 (reported "Mikey" had violated a stalking order and he was unable to locate) and on April 11 (reported "Mikey" had violated a stalking order – Deputy said the photo of the suspect did not match "Mikey").

This will be referred to the Gun Dispossession/Violation of Restraining Order Sergeant (Sgt. Gary Kirby) on Monday, April 27, for follow-up.

Salish Ponds Homeless Cleanup

Terry Hill brought up to PSAC that he has been involved in dismantling eight or nine homeless camps in the Salish Ponds area (east of the walking path). He said he and others cleaned up trash, cleared the trail of fallen trees and cleared out some brush (enough to fill up the City Hall dumpster). He said by doing this, it added about 1/3 mile of more trail. He said blue flagging tape was also placed in the area, to discourage homeless camps. Terry Hill proposed PSAC request the City Council and the Director of Public Works to donate gravel, weed control pads and create a design plan for volunteers to enhance the trail system in Salish Ponds. Deborah Aronson seconded the proposal and it was unanimous by PSAC to move forward with making the request to the City Council.

Chief's Report

Committee Member Patrol Ride Alongs

Russell Williams discussed his MCSO ride along to the Committee. The events of his ride along (from February 29, 2020) consisted of traffic stops, a person trying to pass counterfeit US currency where drugs were found in her vehicle (which was also stolen). Russell said the ride along was "very informative".

Steve Marker discussed his MCSO ride along to the Committee as well. He said he noticed MCSO and Gresham work quite a bit together. He discussed several traffic stops that were made by the MCSO Deputy and about his experience taking an older male to jail on a warrant.

Chronic Nuisance Property

Captain Eriksen explained that a property on NE Pacific Drive is being determined to be a Chronic Nuisance Property, per Municipal Code.

Shooting Update

Captain Eriksen briefing discussed the shooting that occurred in late February 2020 on 214th Avenue off of Fairview Lake Way in the early morning hours. He explained this is an active investigation. Councilor Cathi Forsythe said short-term rentals was brought up to the City Council in the past. She also mentioned that further action was recommended and it has been requested to modify city code for short term rentals.

Old Business

Shred Day 2020

Cancelled due to the global pandemic

Other Events

Fairview 5K has been cancelled. The PlayEast 5K will occur in the fall of 2020. The National Night Out in August is still a go, depending on the status of the Governor's Executive Order.

New Business

COVID-19

Captain Eriksen discussed COVID-19 and what the Sheriff's Office is doing during this global pandemic. The issues discussed were the increase in houseless people in the east county, the shut down of the Citizen's Patrol, a potential homeless camp on the Port of Portland property (east of the dyke, near the canal off 223rd Avenue and Marine Drive), and the challenges of police work.

Councilor Forsythe expressed her appreciation for the patrol officers during this time period and Russell Williams wanted to remind the PSAC members to regularly check on their neighbors.

Captain Eriksen will contact MCSO HOPE Team about the concerns of the Port of Portland property (Eriksen e-mailed the HOPE Sgt. on April 21 at 0845 hours).

February and March 2019 Police Activity Report

No concerns from either of the monthly reports

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

The next meeting was set for June 15, 2020 at 6pm (potentially virtual meeting).

Minutes approved:  6/16/2020
PSAC Chair or Vice-Chair Date