

A Community of History and Vision

PSAC MEETING MINUTES

August 16, 2021

Committee Members Present

Russell Williams (Chair), Terry Hill, Tiffany Pelland, Lynnia Woods (Vice Chair), Grant Murrell and Deborah Aaronson

Others Present

Councilor Balwant Bhullar (City of Fairview), Councilor Steve Marker (City of Fairview), MCSO Capt. Carey Kaer (new Chief of Police for the City of Fairview) and MCSO Chief Deputy James Eriksen (outgoing Chief of Police for the City of Fairview)

Members Absent

Jill Jones

Call to Order

6:01 pm

Approval of Minutes

July 2021 minutes (amended) approved and signed by Chair Russell-Williams

- Chair Williams recommended amending language in the minutes to reflect that he extended the regular 15 minutes for citizens wishing to speak on non-agenda items to 30 minutes, due to the large numbers of citizens that showed up to the meeting.
- Lynnia Woods moved to approve the amended minutes
- Deborah Aaronson seconded the motion
- All present committee members approved the amended minutes

Citizens Wishing to Speak on Non-Agenda Items

1. Aimee Landis (a citizen in Fairview that lives on Park Lane) spoke to PSAC regarding "dirty syringe pickup procedures". She brought this up to PSAC based on the increased number of syringes being located within the City. Aimee created a document that she shared with PSAC members, that includes how to pick up a dirty syringe and how to properly dispose of it.

Procedures listed in the document include:

- Do not try to recap the syringe
- o Find a rigid, thick-walled, sealable container to contain the syringe
- Use protective gloves
- Bring the container to the syringe
- o Pick up the syringe in the middle of the barrel and place in the container
- Secure the lid on the container and affix with tape
- o Seek medical attention immediately if an accidental stick or cut occurs from the syringe

The document also lists several locations for disposal of the container (Metro, Gresham Sanitary and 24-hour syringe drop box locations).

2. Councilor Marker wanted to discuss that there was an upcoming meeting at the Smith Memorial Church with State Representatives to talk about the food pantry for east County. He said the Chair of Multnomah County will be in attendance and requested any PSAC members to join. Councilor Marker also discussed his idea to have the area near Chinook Landing used for the houseless community. Many PSAC members in attendance vocalized their opposition of this plan. Lastly, Councilor Marker

talked about the loud mufflers in cars traveling through Fairview and his plan to change traffic laws with the State of Oregon to omit the language of needing a sound meter for enforcement.

Chief's Report

- Captain James Eriksen recapped the July 2021 LE Activity Report
 - O Discussed there were 9 assaults in July (5 in June)
 - o Discussed there were 6 suicide attempts/threats in July (2 in June)
 - O Discussed there were 12 vandalism calls in July (7 in June)
 - o Discussed there were 523 dispatched calls for service in July
 - o Discussed there were 82 "emergency" calls in July (67 in June and 59.1 average)
 - o Discussed there were 15 crashes in July (21 in June)

Old Business

- PSAC 2021 Events
 - Debriefed the National Night Out (Community Night Out), which occurred on August 3, 2021,
 from 5pm to 8pm. Several members commented that this event might not be suited for PSAC in the future and further discussions should occur before August 2022.
 - Discussed the upcoming October Shred Day Event (scheduled for October 16). The plan is to collect donated canned food and deliver to the Smith Memorial Church, instead of the Food Pantry.
 - Chief Eriksen discussed the MCSO Survey update. The survey is approved by the Council
 and the City and now Chief Kaer will work with MCSO to create a survey-monkey online, so
 that the City can use this link for community members to give their input.

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New Business

- Chief Kaer discussed the 2021 police reform legislation that occurred in the State of Washington
- Chief Eriksen discussed the recent marijuana grow search warrant that occurred on Bridge Street in early August, where 1600 plants were seized and over 100 pounds of finished product
- Chief Eriksen discussed the status of the homeless camp in Salish Pond and that the HOPE Team posted the camp for clean-up

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m. Deborah Aaronson made the motion to adjourn and Grant Murrell seconded the motion. All member's present voted to adjourn.

The next meeting was set for September 20, 2021, at 6pm (most likely virtual).

Minutes approved:

PSAC Chair or Vice-Chair