



## PSAC MEETING MINUTES

April 22, 2019

Members Present: Steven Marker, Councilor Cathi Forsythe, Deborah Aronson, Chief Harry Smith, Lynnna Woods, Terry Hill, Russ Williams, Tammi Tlustos-Arnold

Members Absent: Grant Murrell

Minutes of prior meeting's minutes were approved.

### Citizens Wishing to Speak on Non-Agenda Items:

Ms. Aronson suggested members of PSAC use the meetings to express concerns and thoughts about contemporary public safety issues; such as the forthcoming apartments, with increased traffic and concerns of pedestrian strikes. How do you lower the speed limits, such as on Halsey St? Discussion of traffic studies and state regs regarding how speeds are set on streets. PSAC's ask to Councilor Forsythe for Council to weigh in and apply political pressure to get change speeds on 223<sup>rd</sup> and on Halsey when the apartments come in across from Bumpers.

### Chief's Report:

The ID Theft Prevention Shred event will be Saturday May 18, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mr. Williams and Mr. Marker will staff a table on behalf of PSAC.

The National DEA Drug Take-Back event is this Saturday April 27, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. People can dispose of unused, expired prescription and OTC drugs.

Stats Update: Mr. Williams asked about the spike in calls for service. Chief Smith explained that the uptick was due to Priority 9 automated calls for service every shift for deputies to conduct a parks check at Salish Ponds Park and at Fairview Woods Park. We will work next month to see if we can get those parks checks reported separately.

Community Survey: Chief Smith reported out to Council the results of the survey which were generally positive. Feedback in the free form responses gave both good and bad impressions on the same things. The results will be communicated to Patrol and MCSO will continue to work hard to serve Fairview.

Chief Smith did not have a Citizens Patrol update since his meeting with Deputy Kaiser was delayed due to an emergency call Deputy Kaiser was attending to today.

In response to discussion from last month, Chief Smith confirmed that the HOPE Team deputy positions were filled and the Sergeant position will be filled. The HOPE Team is up for re-funding in this budget process and MCSO will be meeting with the City to discuss how the City can best support our efforts to keep HOPE Team.

There will be a Community Listening Forum here at Fairview City Hall this Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. All are invited.

As an effort to reduce gun violence, MCSO will be placing gun safety/suicide prevention pamphlets here at the Fairview office and is distributing them county-wide. While gun violence of people versus people continues to be a concern, there have been increases in suicides using guns. We want to work with the community to reduce all manners of gun violence.

Ms. Woods asked about gang activities in Fairview. We proposed that for the next PSAC meeting we invite members of the East Metro Gang Enforcement Team (EMGET) to the meeting to discuss their work and the gang situation here in Fairview.

Old Business:

Update by Ms. Aronson: **Neighborhood watch:** We will be continuing meetings. We would like to have a flyer each time to distribute to the community rooms at major apartment complexes. The flyers will be multi-lingual. This is a long process of educating the community. We will try to reach underserved people in the community with this educational push. MCSO will continue to support the neighborhood watch.

Preparedness seminar: Chief Smith will meet with Alice Busch on 4/23 to discuss the date and topic of the next seminar. Mr. Marker noting that the preparedness program needs to center on bringing neighbors together. We need to find ways to get people to realize that bad things can and will happen. Ms. Woods noted we should get people thinking about the smaller disasters such as a bad ice/snow storm. Recall this winter with the last warning of snow, the store shelves emptied out.

New Business:

Outreach methods: Links on the Fairview web page. Councilor Forsythe noted that the sign for the city did not get a lot of support.

Project Frontline Update: Mr. Marker stated that the homeless outreach by his church was brought up to inform PSAC. Mayor Cooper was invited to go to a Frontline meeting, but was unable to go. Mayor Cooper will reach out to Pastor Brad to discuss the program. Mr. Marker will report back to PSAC with what he learned. He did not want to give the impression that he was inviting homeless into Fairview, but to educate PSAC what other churches are trying to do in the community.

The next meeting was set for May 20, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Minutes approved:  2/15/19  
PSAC Chair or Vice-Chair Date