

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

January 10, 2012
11:30 AM
Fairbanks Fire Department

PSC Members:	Peter Stern (Seat C - 2013)	Buzzy Chiu (Seat D - 2014)
	Frank Eagle (Seat E - 2012)	Nate Werner (FPD Representative)
	John Eberhart (Seat A - 2014)	Greg Taylor (FFD Representative)
	Bill Satterberg (Seat B - 2012)	

Meeting Minutes

CALLED TO ORDER: 11:32 am

ATTENDANCE:

PSC Members: Peter Stern, Frank Eagle, John Eberhart, Bill Satterberg, Buzzy Chiu, and Greg Taylor

PSC Members Absent: Nate Werner.

Others in attendance: Dave Burglin – CAO, Deputy Chief Brad Johnson and Lt. Erik Jewkes-FPD; Chief Warren Cummings and Lisa Howard-FFD.

ADOPT AGENDA: Agenda adopted without addition of Downtown Improvement District under New Business.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MINUTES: The minutes of the December 13, 2011 meeting were approved without changes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Reappointment of Seats A & D. Chairman Stern thanked both members for their continued service. Possible Code Changes to Infractions Discussion of committee work so far. Intent is to delete any duplications. Where possible will delete City Codes, however, some codes may have same name but have different wording or application. Also discussed is need to find tracking mechanism for violations, especially in the case of escalating/repeat offenses. Discussion of use of violations with a fine of community service for some types of incidents. Committee working with COF CAO to draft an ordinance regarding changes. Lt. Jewkes also report working on ordinance for billing false 911 calls for repeat offenders (often mechanical malfunctions but just as often human error – cleaning crews not properly disarming alarms, etc.)

Role of the Public Safety Commission The motion that was made by Bill Satterberg, seconded by Frank Eagle to sunset the City of Fairbanks Public Safety Commission and was tabled at the last meeting, pending feedback from the Mayor and City Council with regards to their vision of the commission, remains tabled. John Eberhart reported a worksession with the commission and the council has been scheduled for Feb 17th. After discussion, Mr. Stern is to request the meeting be rescheduled to March 19th to allow all PSC members to be present.

NEW BUSINESS:

Downtown Improvement District Council Member Vivian Stiver introduced a resolution to form an Ad Hoc committee for the purpose of exploring the development of a Downtown Improvement District. The idea would be to develop a mechanism to fund the CSP and Clean Team, which directly benefit downtown businesses and residents. Mayor Cleworth is looking for volunteers to serve.

REPORTS:

FFD Report

Chief Cumming reported that the City Council approved accepting an Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) of \$140K for the purpose of replacing outdated Personal Protective Equipment. He also reported that the new 2012 SAFER grant guidelines are out. This grant funds a significant amount of the cost of hiring additional personnel. Frank Eagle, seconded by Buzzy Chiu, made a motion in support of FFD applying for this grant, which passed unanimously. Chief Cummings then reviewed a draft of the 2011 statistics and reported that for the year actual fires had increased. Some of the information may change slightly as adjustments are made during year end data validation, especially in the area of MA ambulance responses.

FPD Report

Deputy Chief Johnson distributed the FPD monthly statistical report. He also noted that Robert Hall would soon be returning from deployment and would resume as the PSC representative for FPD.

FECC Report

None – Director Johnson was absent.

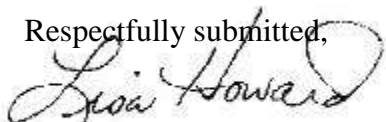
CLOSING COMMENTS:

Bill Satterberg requested to be excused from the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING: February 14, 2012 – Council Chambers hosted by FECC

MEETING ADJOURNED at 12:48 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Howard, FFD