

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

June 12, 2012
11:30 AM
Fairbanks Police Department

PSC Members:	John Eberhart (Seat A - 2014)	Robert Fox (Seat E - 2012)
	Bill Satterberg (Seat B - 2012)	Greg Taylor (FFD Appointee)
	Peter Stern (Seat C - 2013)	Robert Hall (FPD Appointee)
	Buzzy Chiu (Seat D - 2014)	

Meeting Minutes

CALLED TO ORDER: 11:32 am

ATTENDANCE:

PSC Members: John Eberhart, Bill Satterberg (via phone), Peter Stern, , Greg Taylor and Robert Hall
Absent: Buzzy Chiu (excused) and Robert Fox

Others in attendance: Mayor Jerry Cleworth, Stephanie Johnson and Bonnie Nolan–FECC, Chief Laren Zager and Lt. Eric Jewkes–FPD; Chief Warren Cummings and Lisa Howard–FFD

ADOPT AGENDA: Agenda approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MINUTES: The minutes of May 8, 2012 meeting were approved without changes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Code Changes, Ordinance Update and False 911 Calls Ordinance - Lt Jewkes reports that the next round of changes should go before the council at the next meeting. He has been working with Paul Ewers and they got rid of permit language that has not been enforced nor are there plans to start enforcing it. Discussion regarding Police Dept has the option to terminate response to multiple false intrusion alarms but fire doesn't have that option.

Role of the Public Safety Commission Various drafts were discussed. Summary of comments:

- Peter Stern proposal was to increase the commission size to 7 voting and 5 ex-officio members.
- Bill Satterberg felt that it is important to have folks from the public, likes attendance requirements, thinks monthly meetings are probably too often, thought some form of public forum for complaints might be a good idea.
- Mayor Cleworth said restricting it to City residents was too limiting.
- Chief Zager said FPD may be considering external investigation option, may be beneficial PSC to be first place complaints go, and that concern about quorum with larger size. He supports the Cole proposal, but in effect the PSC turns into a task force, which is maybe where it should go.
- John Eberhart thinks FFD & FPD representatives should be non-voting but their input is important.
- Robert Hall agrees FFD & FPD members should be non-voting but they need to be designated individuals to maintain continuity.
- Mayor Cleworth expresses interest in PSC being involved with emergency preparedness issues.
- Peter Stern said that fixed meeting dates generally improve attendance, although frequency could still be reduced.

After discussion it was decided that the Peter would put together the feedback a have a revised draft for the next meeting.

FFD Report – Chief Cummings reviewed the fire and ambulance response statistics for May 2012. Lakeview Trailer Court is now under contract fire protection. Its hydrant system is non-functional. He reported that several grants should have their applications out in the next month or two. The Water Purification trailer purchased with HLS grant funds should be arriving in Fairbanks shortly.

He also reported the two surplused KME's had been sold, one to Flint Hills for \$95K and the second to Kenny Lake VFD for \$10K. **MOTION: Public Safety Commission requests the funds from the sale of the fire trucks be put into the City Fire Department Capital Fund by the City Council. (Stern/Satterberg) Passed with John Eberhart abstaining.**

FECC Report – Director Stephanie Johnson reported the Dispatch Contract with the City of North Pole has been finalized. The Call Taking Agreement with the FNSB is waiting for State approval. Summer is already getting busy.

FPD Report – Chief Zager reports that 2012 is a catch up year for training. He also reported that they have one recruit still in training, has about 2 ½ months to go. Officer Hall reviewed the May 2012 statistics report. He also reported the Torch Run raises \$10,500 for the local Special Olympics.

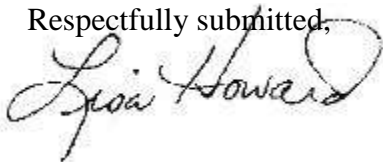
CLOSING COMMENTS:

Agreed that the status of the PSC and its role needs to be finalized next meeting.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: July 10, 2012 (FFD)

MEETING ADJOURNED at 12:31 PM

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Howard". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the text "Respectfully submitted,".