



Public Safety Commission Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Nate Marsh
Vice-Chair Clark Hammelman
Debra Beck
Don MacBrayne
Richard Morton
Andy Powell
Carl Smith
Steve Thayer
Laurie Van Court

Thursday, December 7, 2023

3:00 PM

Castle Rock Fire Station 151
300 Perry St., Castle Rock, CO 80104

This meeting is open to the public. Please note that all times indicated on the agenda are approximate and interested parties are encouraged to be present earlier than the posted time.

Call to Order and Attendance

Chairperson Marsh called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

GUEST - Kim Stremel - Police

Present 9 - Chairperson Nate Marsh, Vice Chair Clark Hammelman, Andy Powell, Don MacBrayne, Richard Morton, Carl Smith, Steve Thayer, Debra Beck, and Laurie Van Court

Attendance 3 - Norris Croom, Deborah Stanley, and Kim Stremel

Approval of Meeting Minutes

[PS 2023-034](#) Public Safety Commission meeting minutes - November 2, 2023

Attachments: [PSC November 02, 2023 Minutes](#)

Mr. Smith moved to approve the November 2, 2023 minutes. Mr. Thayer seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Yes: 9 - Chairperson Marsh, Vice Chair Hammelman, Powell, MacBrayne, Morton, Smith, Thayer, Beck, and Van Court

Fire Department Report

[PS 2023-035](#) CRFD October Report

Attachments: [CRFD October Report](#)

- Commission members were emailed a copy of the Fire Department's October report prior to today's meeting.
- The seven recruits currently in West Metro's academy, will graduate next Friday and go online in mid-January.
- This year's Starlighting event was well attended with 40,000 people in attendance throughout the day. Approximately 20,000 people were downtown for the actual lighting of the Star. No major issues were reported.
- Chief Croom attended a Station 156 pre-application meeting last month.
 - An Owners Representative and architect will be hired in the near future.

- The site will need to be rezoned and re-platted.
- The design and layout will replicate Station 152, which will hopefully reduce costs.
- Chief Croom spoke about the insurance challenges Latigo HOA is now facing.
 - Insurance costs for the HOA are increasing 600%.
 - The entire HOA board was replaced last Saturday.
 - Insurance companies set their own rates independent of community and fire department input.
 - The Town and the Fire Department will continue to help with mitigation efforts when possible.
 - This is a state wide issue and not any fault of the Town.

Police Department Report

[PS 2023-036](#) CRPD October Report

Attachments: [CRPD October Report](#)

- Commission members were emailed a copy of the Police Department's October report prior to today's meeting.
- Chief Cauley introduced his new Executive Assistant, Kim Stremel.
- Six lateral hires started with the department on Monday.
 - The department has two recruits starting a police academy January 15.
- The department will be hosting Hero's and Helpers this Saturday. Chief Cauley thanked community members for their generosity.
- The department has wrapped up this year's book club assignment.
 - Two book club groups, supervisors and line staff.
 - Chief Cauley was asked who qualifies as a "supervisor". Sergeants on up.
 - Chief Cauley was asked how he came up with the idea of a book club. Brief discussion on how the idea originated after attending a IACP conference and meeting with the guest speaker.
 - The department participates in the book club every year and has gained good feedback and conversations from this activity.
- The Department held its leadership retreat last month to plan the department's direction for next year.
 - Continuing topic was department communications. The department will look at other communication tools. Currently using emails and the reach board. Suggestion made for the department to use one page newsletters with embedded links for in depth topics.
- The department's Strategic Plan is due for an update in 2024. The updated Strategic Plan will have a new look and will be more people centric. Public Safety commission members will be given the

opportunity to view it when completed.

- Chief Cauley was asked if there is a unit within the department that investigates online scams and educates the community. The Investigations Unit has detectives that specialize in these crimes. The department also has education material on its website. Douglas County has a group that goes out and speaks to the community.
- Chief Cauley was asked about the impact of 5A to the SRO budget. The department will be meeting with district representatives next week to work out funding. Brief discussion followed.
- Chief Cauley was asked about traffic flow and impacts on Town traffic when I-25 is shut down along with truck routes here in Town. Alternate plans are in place but these plans won't alleviate traffic downtown. Brief discussion followed.

New Business

n/a

Old Business

n/a

Adjourn

Ms. Van Court made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Morton seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

The next Public Safety Commission meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2024 at the Police Department.