



## Public Safety Commission Meeting Minutes - Draft

Chairperson Dan Smoker  
Vice Chair Kerstin Keough  
Jose Guerrero  
Nate Marsh  
Janet Peterson  
Carl Smith  
Steve Thayer  
Mike Wells  
Chrissy Williams

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Thursday, September 3, 2020

3:00 PM

Castle Rock Police Department  
100 Perry St.  
Castle Rock, CO 80104

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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.

The Public Safety Commission meets monthly at the Town of Castle Rock Fire & Rescue Headquarters or Police Department.

### Call to Order and Attendance

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

**Present** 8 - Vice Chair Kerstin Keough, Chairperson Dan Smoker, Chrissy Williams, Jose Guerrero, Nate Marsh, Carl Smith, Steve Thayer, and Mike Wells

**Not Present** 1 - Janet Peterson

**Attendance** 4 - Jack Cauley, Norris Croom, Becky Hernandez, and Taylor Temby

### Approval of Meeting Minutes

[PS 2020-024](#) Public Safety Commission meeting minutes - Aug. 6, 2020

Attachments: [PCS08-06-2020 Minutes](#)

Mr. Smith moved to approve the Aug. 6, 2020 minutes. Mr. Wells seconded the motion; the motion carried.

### Fire Department Report

[PS 2020-025](#) CRFD July Report

Attachments: [Fire](#)

- Chief Croom's report
  - Crew of three are currently on deployment to the Grizzly Creek Fire (Glenwood Springs).
    - The Fire Department has a Colorado Cooperator Agreement to send apparatus and firefighters when requested.
    - The fire is currently at a 78-percent containment.
  - Fire Restrictions
    - Stage 2 restrictions are now in place due to the above-normal fire conditions.
    - The forecasted conditions are expected to continue through

- December.
- Hurricane in the Gulf
  - Department's resources mobilized as part of Colorado Task Force 1 during this disaster and returned September 2.
- Fireworks show
  - The canceled July 4 fireworks' show was rescheduled to New Year's Eve (7 pm).
- Standards of Cover (annual update)
  - Includes response data, performance measures, which are part of the department's accreditation process.
  - Presentation scheduled for the September 15 Council meeting.
  - The plan will be available on the Town's website by September 10.
  - There are no significant changes this year.
- Proclamation for Fire Prevention week in October - presentations scheduled for Council.
- Tent requests
  - School District requests tent inspections/permits.
    - Requests to use large outdoor tents as classrooms.
    - The State needs to approve the requests prior to our inspection.
  - Restaurants
    - Temporary tent permits were approved through the end of the year.
  - Currently, working through issues regarding fire ratings, heaters and the surrounding walls.
- Construction permits
  - Town's permits reflect a 36-percent increase YTD (2019-2020).

## Police Department Report

[PS 2020-026](#) CRPD July Report

Attachments: [Police](#)

- PIO introduction
  - PIO Temby introduced herself and discussed her background/experience.
- Chief Cauley's report
  - FPPA participation
    - Town Council approved a resolution approving the police department's FPPA affiliation on Tuesday, Sep. 1.
    - The plan will be effective in March 2021 for those officers wishing to join.
    - Next step is scheduling informational meetings with officers.
  - Hiring process
    - Police officer

- Approximately 120 applicants.
  - Seven candidates are in the final stages of the hiring process.
  - Hire date is scheduled in October.
- Dispatchers
  - Received 130 applications
  - Two openings with a hire date expected by end of the year.
- Suicide Awareness month (September)
  - Recent awareness event (Sep. 1) held at Festival Park.
- Traffic crashes
  - Decrease in traffic crashes - most likely due to pandemic (down 26 percent).
  - Crash levels beginning to increase slightly.
- Online crime reporting
  - Year-to-date (YTD), there has been a 50-percent increase of online reporting (2019-2020).
- Department's 2019 Annual Report was submitted our website: [CRgov.com/police](http://CRgov.com/police) (under About Police).
- One-By-One Policing
  - Chief Cauley presented the Department's One-By-One Policing philosophy at last month's Colorado City & County Management Association (CCCMA) meeting.
  - The new PIO will assist in reinforcing our message within the community.
  - Calls for police reform is a multi-faceted issue.
- Recent house fire - discussed.
- Questions for Chief Cauley regarding:
  - Increased number of aggravated assaults: yes, there was an YTD increase in percentage (6 in 2019 to 17 in 2020).
  - One-By-One Policing presentation for new public safety members: yes, Chief will plan a future presentation for the new members.
  - Philip S. Miller grant presentation: Chair Smoker, Chief Cauley and Chief Croom explained the process for reviewing applications, which will take place at the October Public Safety Commission meeting. Usually, one or two commissioners present the recommendation to Council in November.

**New Business**

N/A

**Old Business**

N/A

**Commissioner Comments and Questions**

N/A

## **Adjourn**

Ms. Keough made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Marsh seconded the motion.

**The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.**

**The next Public Safety Commission meeting is scheduled for  
October 1, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. at the Public Safety Training Center.**