



Chairperson Jay Castrodale
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Public Safety Commission Meeting Minutes

April 5, 2018

3:00 PM

Fire Department

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Jay Castrodale (Chairperson)
Bonnie Dews (Vice-Chairperson)
Ruby Martinez
Travis Menard
Keith Moreland
Janet Sloan

STAFF PRESENT

Fire Chief Art Morales
Police Chief Jack Cauley
Deborah Stanley – Fire

EXCUSED

Michael Muffly
Council Liaison: Jess Loban

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Castrodale called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. Ms. Martinez moved to approve the March 1, 2018 minutes. Ms. Sloan seconded the motion; the motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

- Chief Morales distributed the Fire Department's February monthly report.
- We are pushing to stay on schedule with the construction of Station 152.
- The academy recruits are doing great.
 - Of the 13 that started, we have 12 still in the academy. The 13th is temporary on light duty.
- One of our Lieutenants has accepted a fire chief position in California and is leaving in two months. He is getting exposure to all of the duties within the department before he leaves.
- The two new Quints are scheduled for delivery next week and will be stored until Station 152 is complete.
- The Type III Brush truck is expected later this month.
- The engineer testing process has finished. We will soon start the lieutenant's process. We will need three lieutenants for Station 152 and one to fill our upcoming vacancy.
- Last month's pre-burn of the mesa went well. We had good control of the burn.
- Discussion of hikers on the Rock.
 - Two serious incidents in the past 30 days.
 - Both people fell from the same place.
 - The Rock is a central feature of the Town and draws a lot of people.
 - Chief Morales and other Town officials have been meeting to explore options.
 - Technically, no one is allowed to climb to the top. Climbers can be fined if a rescue is required.
 - The Town is still under Stage I fire restrictions.
- The CWPP (Community Wildfire Protection Plan) was presented to the Town Manager on Tuesday.



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- We will soon roll it out to the community.
- The plan identifies significant risks (we have a lot of scrub oak here in Town) and allows community input for mitigating the risks.
- All scrub oak around Town property will be 30 feet away from structures.
- Chief Morales was asked if we partner with the County's Wildland Team – No, the County team consists of only hand crews, no brush trucks. In addition, the deployment time for the Douglas County team is one hour.
- The bids for Building I of the Public Safety Training Campus came back high. Staff sat down with the low bidder and developed an alternate plan.
 - The main floor will have a large classroom and two bathrooms.
 - Costs for the elevator, sprinkler system and classroom are \$250,000.
 - Once we get work started on Building I, we will be able to start on Building II.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

- Chief Cauley distributed the Police Department's February monthly report.
- Promotional update.
 - The department will be promoting three corporals and three sergeants.
 - Included is a new sergeant position within Special Operations.
 - Two promotions to commander due to the retirement of two commanders scheduled for May 2018.
 - All commanders are moving into different assignments.
 - All promotions will be effective May 19.
 - Public Safety Commission members are invited to the promotional and award ceremony on May 18.
- The Public Information Officer (PIO) will be finished with his training in May. He will then handle all media requests, which were previously managed by Community Relations.
 - The PIO will be launching a new social media platform for CRPD in late April.
- Chief Cauley was asked about the suspicious death that occurred this past weekend. The vehicle that Police were initially looking for is no longer of interest. The isolated incident is still under investigation.

Public Safety Commission members adjourned to view the construction of Station 152 and the new Public Safety Training Facility – Building 1.

NEW BUSINESS:

- n/a

OLD BUSINESS:

- n/a

Mr. Castrodale made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Ms. Dew seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

**The next Public Safety Commission meeting is scheduled for
May 3, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. at the Police Department.**