



Public Safety Commission Meeting Minutes - Final

Thursday, May 5, 2022

3:00 PM

Castle Rock Municipal Courtroom
100 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 Smoker called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

Present 6 - Vice Chair Nate Marsh, Chairperson Dan Smoker, Don MacBrayne, Clark Hammelman, Steve Thayer, and Janet Peterson

Not Present 2 - Mike Wells, and Carl Smith

Approval of Meeting Minutes

[PS 2022-013](#) Public Safety Commission Meeting Minutes - Apr. 7, 2022

Attachments: [PSC 04-07-2022 Minutes](#)

Mr. Thayer moved to approve the April 7, 2022 minutes. Mr. Hammelman seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Yes: 6 - Vice Chair Marsh, Chairperson Smoker, MacBrayne, Hammelman, Peterson, and Thayer

Not Present: 2 - Wells, and Smith

Fire Department Report

[PS 2022-014](#) CRFD March Report

Attachments: [CRFD March Report](#)

- The commission members previously received the department's March report via email.
- Commission on Fire Accreditation International.
 - Peer team arrives on May 8 and will conduct their evaluation through May 12.
- Apparatus update
 - New battalion vehicle in service.
 - Two new brush trucks delivered.
 - Expected to be in service by end of May or June.
 - Discussion on future orders and expected delays.
 - Out-of-date vehicles are returned to the Town's Fleet Department for auction (salvage value). Or other agencies interested in our apparatus may work with Fleet to purchase directly.

- Call volume - 19.2% increase from last year.
 - The increase was across the board on all types of calls.
- 2023 Budget is currently under review.
 - The department's first review is Friday, May 6 and will include the Town Manager and Finance team.
- Tabor time out provided a surplus to the Town, which will allow a portion of funding for the next fire station.
 - New station scheduled for 2025 in Cobblestone Ranch (Planning Zone 6).
 - Discussion on metrics within the different fire zones.
- Public Safety Commission interviews scheduled Monday evening, May 10.
- Questions or discussion items for Chief Croom:
 - Did CRFD participate in the recent wildfire training in Cherry Creek?
 - No, our focus is within our local jurisdiction.
 - The next multi-jurisdictional training is scheduled in October.
 - Wildland fuels - discussion.
 - Current fuel models are similar to those seen in 2002.
 - Why did Pulse Point not pick up the fire call from the recent house fire? Call types and recent updates were discussed. There are, however, certain call types that will not be released to Pulse Point.

Police Department Report

[PS 2022-015](#) CRPD March Report

Attachments: [CRPD March report](#)

- The commission members previously received the department's March report via email.
- Swearing-in and Annual Awards Ceremony - Wednesday, May 18 (5pm).
 - Invitation distributed.
 - Location: Public Safety Training Facility.
- Recent fire/homicide incident discussed.
 - Suspect apprehended in Florida.
- Current staff openings due to recent resignations:
 - Commander position
 - Internal process initiated.
 - Expected appointment in June with a hire date expected in summer due to staffing needs.
 - Crime Analyst opening
 - Unique position with a specialized skillset.
- Tabor funding to assist with department's lower level remodel.
 - Will provide needed extra space.
 - Expected to begin in 2022.
- Questions or discussion items for Chief Cauley:
 - Human services funding and co-responder team discussed.
 - Grants discussed regarding high visibility, DUI, Click it or Ticket

(CIOT).

- CRPD wrote more CIOT tickets than any other agency in the state.
- These grants provide funding for additional work hours due to the various enforcement issues.
- Bicycle compliance/ticket writing.
 - Bike riders are required to follow the same rules as drivers.
 - Writing tickets is not the norm unless extreme condition exists (e.g., causing accidents).

New Business

*Update on Castle Rock's Unhoused population

- Unhoused community discussion.
 - This is a complex issue currently being worked through with the Douglas County homelessness initiative.
 - Seeking a collaborative countywide solution.
 - Community Partnership Unit officers patrol the trails on their bikes and check in with every unhoused individual and also attempt to provide resources.
 - Legal cases restrict enforcing the camping ordinance because the Town nor Douglas County have shelter options.
 - Police may cite for creating fires.
 - How many unhoused individuals are in Castle Rock? The number varies at different times (approximately 10-30 individuals).
 - There has been an increase in the calls related to unhoused individuals.
 - Are there any plans to educate the community? Yes, this is in progress. Possibility of adding an FAQ to the Town's website.

Old Business

N/A

Commissioner Comments and Questions

- Chairperson Smoker thanked the commission and chiefs for the past four years as this is his final meeting.

Adjourn

Ms. Petersen made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Thayer seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

The next Public Safety Commission meeting is scheduled for June 2, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. at the Municipal Courtroom.