



Public Safety Committee

November 13, 2018

Regular Scheduled Meeting

APPROVED MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 P.M.

Elected Officials:

Councilmember Justin Evans, Chair
Councilmember Tom Watson
Councilmember Terry Carter (Absent)
Deputy Mayor, Randy McKibbin

Staff in Attendance:

City Administrator, John Vodopich
City Prosecutor, Maili Barber
Judge, Tim Jenkins
Judge, Ron Heslop
Assistant Police Chief, Kurt Alfano
Fire Chief, Bud Backer
Permit Center Lead, Jenn Francis
Court Administrator, Kathy Seymour
Management Analyst/Executive Assistant, Leslie Harris
Administrative Assistant III, Debbie McDonald

I. ROLL CALL:

Councilmember Evans delivered roll call.

II. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS:

East Pierce Fire & Rescue Monthly Report
Bud Backer, Fire Chief

Fire Chief Backer stated call volumes are down for September. Provided mutual aid for a wildfire and warehouse fire. Have deployed a truck and crew to the California wildfires. The crew has already been sent to the front line. If the vote trends continue, it looks like the bond will pass.

With the bond passing Councilmembers would like more information on future plans.

Public Safety Monthly Report
Bryan Jeter, Police Chief

Assistant Police Chief Alfano distributed the monthly report and asked if there was any questions. Stated Community Outreach is still coming out on Tuesdays to work with the homeless population.

Councilmember Evans commented he likes the new format and the new crews.

Councilmember Watson asked how the situation is at Walmart.

Assistant Police Chief Alfano responded they have had a good response from the store staff and are working together to clean up the area.

*Bonney Lake Manor HOA Restricted Parking Request
John Vodopich, City Administrator*

City Administrator Vodopich stated that Bonney Lake Manor HOA would like signage stating, "Permit Parking Only". To cover the blocks between 108th and 113th. Would need to check for cost of signage and post. Police have not had many calls on the parking and have been patrolling the area and not seeing any issues in those blocks.

Deputy Mayor McKibbin believes by adding the signage it will just push the parking out further.

Moved to City Council

*East Pierce Fire and Rescue Monthly Fee Proposal
John Vodopich, City Administrator*

City Administrator Vodopich introduced the fee proposal. The Fire Department is proposing a fee that would be an additional 40% of the plan check fee.

Permit Center Lead Francis discussed how much the fee would impact a project. She figured out the fees for some recent projects. Would like the fee based on a percentage of the valuation of a project.

Fire Chief Backer did not request a 40% increase, there is some miss understanding. Just want the fee to cover the work being done. Will be hiring two additional Fire Marshalls.

City Administrator Vodopich will go back and re-evaluate the fee and bring back to the Committee.

Will Return to Committee

III. BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS:

Approval of the October 9, 2018 Notes

Councilmember Watson moved to approve draft notes with minor corrections.

Meeting Notes Approved

IV. OPEN COMMITTEE DISCUSSION:

Councilmember Watson has concerns with citizens out behind the Buttered Biscuit cleaning up the property. They should have needle disposal bins. The group has had to call the Police twice with people shooting up and needles with heroin still in them.

Assistant Police Chief Alfano would prefer that Police be called to pick up needles and dispose of them.

Citizens spoke with concerns about the property between Pacific Pride and Les Schwab having homeless staying on the property.

City Prosecutor Barber will need the property owners to fill out a trespassing form. This gives Police the power to remove anyone not allowed on the property.

Permit Center Lead stated the Kahne property behind Buttered Biscuit will start being developed by Spring time of 2019. This will help solve that problem once the land is all cleared.

*Agreement with Pierce County Security
City Administrator, John Vodopich*

City administrator Vodopich commented that the agreement with Pierce County Security to Bailiff for court on Thursdays is not working out. Police Chief Jeter is working on a solution.

*Animal Codes
City Prosecutor Maili Barber*

City Prosecutor Barber should have the Animal Code completed before she goes on leave.

V. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Evans adjourned the meeting at 4:38.



Debbie McDonald, Public Safety Clerk