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Public Safety Advisory Board Minutes for 07-23-2018 By Evan J McKinley, Secretary

Chair Tom Freedland brings the meeting to order at 18:01

Changes to the agenda: Mark Gabriel makes a motion to add to the agenda a discussion regarding the email sent out to some city employees about speeding on Fairhaven. Judy Wiechmann seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

Mark Gabriel motions to approve the minutes from the second-to-last meeting. "Townsend" and "Schofield" were misspelled, now corrected. Sergeant Hoesly seconds the motion. Motion is unanimous except for Kris Duncan, who abstained since she wasn't present at the meeting in question.

Mark Gabriel moves to approve May's quorum-less meeting's minutes. Dan Neilson seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

Map Your Neighborhood: Judy Wiechmann reports that she advertised at the West Linn Old Time Fair. They shared a tent with the West Linn Police Department. In terms of activity, periods of busy rush alternated with periods of nearly no visitors. A couple people appeared to be seriously interested in Map Your Neighborhood. One person wants to do it for their neighborhood of eighteen families.

Kris Duncan says that the last Map Your Neighborhood session was conducted during the last PSAB meeting. Judy Wiechmann says that she will be presenting Map Your Neighborhood at the West Linn Adult Community Center on August 6. One woman at the Old Time Fair said that she lives in a condominium and will talk to her Homeowner's Association. Judy Wiechmann will incorporate her brother's space-saving innovations in future presentations.

Kris Duncan says that the official Map Your Neighborhood map is outdated and that she will ask the city GIS workers for a replacement. Mike Schofield says that a geologist offered to give the PSAB an earthquake risk map of West Linn. He secured some goodies for free emergency buckets for Map Your Neighborhood hosts, including mylar blankets, first aid kits, and gas shut-off tools. Judy Wiechmann says that the Map Your Neighborhood has sufficient buckets for the present, but is always willing to accept donations. The Emergency Preparedness Fair will be on September 13, 2018, from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the West Linn Latter-Day Saints church.

Tom Freedland wonders how the PSAB can best advertise the Emergency Preparedness Fair. He suggests the local cable company. Judy Wiechmann says that some churches may let the PSAB put an advertisement in their newsletters. She will follow up with Ms. Flynn, Facebook, and the newsletters. Kris Duncan suggests the use of NextDoor.

Teen Driving

Tom Freedland reported that the four PSAB scholarship recipients for the upcoming Street Survival course have been chosen, and three of them notified. There have been some communication difficulties.



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The next Street Survival event will most likely be in March or April of 2019, with possibly of a third event in Portland. The scholarship fund is for four students per year, so additional funding will be needed to cover a third event. Judy Wiechmann suggests that to select the scholarship recipients a subcommittee be formed with the West Linn High School Student Resource Officer and the West Linn Youth Advisory Council liaison. Tom Freedland says that Officer Halverson had a role this year in the selection process, but he and the high school had very short notice.

Regarding the selection of a new YAC liaison: How did Evan J McKinley get selected? Evan J McKinley says that he was invited to a meeting by David Baker and never bothered to stop showing up. Tom Freedland says that he will see if he can go to a YAC meeting and recruit a new liaison. Dan Nielson says that he will help with the selection.

Board Administration Kris Duncan volunteers to be the PSAB's secretary if no other volunteer is found.

Police update: Sergeant Hoesly says that the new recruit from the City of Portland may be hired with the next 11 days. The WLPD is close to having a new captain. The WLPD has another new recruit. The WLPD has a new piece of software that reads license plate information out loud, reducing the danger of a traffic accident.

Regarding the email to city employees about speeding on Fairhaven: the problem was directed to the city roads department, who put a radar device on the road in question. Sergeant Hoesly says that he will look at the signage on the road, which is one of the issues mentioned in the email. Tom Freedland says that some weeks ago, he saw a news item from Perth, Australia saying that the installation of a radar-controlled speed bump reduced incidences of speeding by 75%. Mike Schofield says that there is a West Linn Traffic Safety Committee.

TVF&R update: Lieutenant Mike Thorne, standing in for Stef Myers, says that TVF&R has several task forces throughout the state for the wild fires. Station 55 up on Hidden Springs is close to opening. The new truck for Station 55 is now in service. In 1994, TVF&R had 3 employees assigned to work in West Linn; and now they have 14 employees assigned to West Linn and three stations. There have been three or four drownings so far this year in the area, illustrating why water safety is so important this time of year.

Sergeant Hoesly wonders if the city could acquire more AEDs. Jon Townsend advises talking to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation,

Jon Townsend says that he is afraid of fire dangers from the 37 acre green space with flammable plants and possibly homeless residents. Lieutenant Thorpe says that Camassia burns at least once per year.

Jon Townsend volunteers to get the PSAB's Street Survival project funded for 2019.

The next meeting will be on August 27, 2018.

Kris Duncan moves to adjourn. Judy Wiechmann seconds. Meeting adjourns 19:00.