

Meeting Summary

West Linn Public Safety Advisory Board (PSAB)

January 27, 2020

Call to Order & Introductions: The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by Chairman, Tom Freedland. Members and staff attending were Kris Duncan, Judy Wiechmann, Mike Selvaggio, Karin Haag, Preston Fedor, Sgt. Ron Hoesly (WLPD), Stefan Myers (TVFR), Bill Relyea (City Council), and Alicia Shroyer (WL Community Relations Coordinator).

Board members agreed to the Chair's suggestion to move discussion on the status of PSAB, as well as its meeting schedule to the top of the agenda. Tom noted that the need for discussion rose from the joint meeting between City Council and PSAB on December 2. At that time, the need to meet monthly was questioned. Also noted were challenges when PSAB's Monday meeting night conflicts with a City Council meeting. Kris D. remarked that another organization she worked with found that an every-other-month meeting schedule was more effective as it allowed more time for subcommittee work to be completed. Mike S. expressed his preference for a quarterly meeting schedule. All parties agreed that an alternate day should be determined.

MOTION #1: Mike S. moved, Judy W. seconded, to change the day of full PSAB meetings to the fourth WEDNESDAY of a month. The motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Tom F. stated PSAB will meet next on Wednesday, February 26 to further determine the structure and meeting schedule of Board.

Approval of Minutes: Approval of the written summary for the November 18, 2019 PSAB meeting was passed with one change. The last sentence in the last paragraph will state as follows: *He stated that the kids were on track to work things out and that parents were still concerned and requested a police presence at the walk-out.*

OLD BUSINESS/STANDING COMMITTEES REPORTS

2020 Officers: Tom Freedland was nominated for Chair and Mike Selvaggio was nominated for Vice-Chair. Kris Duncan stated that although she cannot commit to the position of Secretary, she is willing to prepare a written meeting summary whenever it does not interfere with her elder care duties. A final vote on officers will take place at the February meeting.

Disaster Preparedness: For the benefit of the newly appointed PSAB members, Judy W. briefly described the Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) program. City Council member Relyea outlined the requirements for long-term care facilities to have a disaster response plan in place as a condition of licensing. Kris D. said it would be interesting to obtain a copy of a compliance monitoring form to determine whether or not the disaster plan is an actual "checklist" item.

Judy W. noted the ongoing challenge to promote MYN when people use so many different sources and media to obtain information. Mike S. reported he discussed these challenges with Council Member Jules Walters. Alicia S. stated her office is happy to post events connected with PSAB initiatives on the City of West Linn's social media. She added they do not have the means to conduct targeted outreach such as teens for the driver safety program.

Teen Driver Safety: Tom F. summarized the scholarship program for the new PSAB members and announced that the application for the spring training event was posted on the City's website in early January. He said the school district will distribute another announcement in the coming weeks. Alicia suggested that a good promotional tool would be a video testimonial from a past scholarship recipient. Tom F. noted the link that is posted to a KOIN news segment on the class.

NEW BUSINESS

Future Topics: Kris D. said she would like to add a Fire Wise-like initiative to the discussion next month as PSAB reorganizes. She would also like to see some year-end statistical crime reports after they are compiled. Mike S. expressed interest in whether the new legislation addressing PTSD among first responders is actually being used and/or applied.

STAFF UPDATES

WLPD: Sgt. Hoesly noted the Department's focus on vulnerable children. Particular attention is being given to patrolling near schools and churches when those groups are in session. He summarized the status of their staffing process and noted there are now two female officers and another potential hire. When asked about auto break-ins, Sgt. Hoesly answered that although the majority of thefts are still the result of cars being left unlocked, they are seeing more of what they call "smash-and-grabs" near schools.

TVFR: Stefan Myers described an incident when a West Linn resident who collapsed was immediately and successfully assisted by persons with training and connection to a mobile alert system. He announced the opening of Station 39 off Boones Ferry Road. The station will be equipped more to respond to medical emergency than fires, consistent with service calls in that area. Stefan also displayed the new advanced radios they were recently issued.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Duncan (PSAB member)