



Des Peres Public Safety Department  
1000 N. Ballas Road  
Des Peres, MO. 63131  
January 7, 2019

The meeting of the Board of Public Safety Commission was held at 7:00 p.m. on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019 in the Public Safety Building for the transaction of such business that may come before the Commission.

Present: Commissioner Chair.....Larry Beermann  
Commissioner .....Joanne Sullivan  
Commissioner.....Robert Ashcraft  
Commissioner.....Jerry Lund  
Alderman.....Dean Fitzpatrick  
Chief.....Eric Hall  
Captain.....Sean Quinn  
Captain.....Dale Fiala  
Support Lieutenant.....Robert Willoughby  
Administrative Asst.....Mónica Llorián

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioner Chair Beermann opened the meeting. Administrative Assistant Llorián commenced with the roll call. The entire commission was present.

**HEAR CITIZENS**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Ashcraft made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2018 meeting. Commissioner Sullivan seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

**AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA**

Chief Hall requested to add the review of promotions and transfers for the department to new business. Commissioner Ashcraft made a motion to review the recent new promotions to the department. Commissioner Beermann seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

## **ALDERMANIC REPORT**

Alderman Fitzpatrick indicated he had nothing to report. Chief Hall advised the commission that a public hearing is scheduled regarding the Village Bar distillery project and amending of the city zoning code for such projects at the next Board of Alderman meeting, scheduled for January 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **BUDGET**

Chief Hall stated that there are a few bills waiting to be paid out of the 2018 budget. He anticipates that the department will be under budget for 2018.

Chief Hall presented the commission the department's capital improvement purchases for 2019. He concluded that the department budgeted for the purchase of three (3) vehicles but might reduce this to two (2) vehicles due to the increase cost of the vehicles and associated equipment.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Chief Hall presented the commission with bios of the recently promoted officers and the new soon to be hired officers (Captain Dale Fiala, Lieutenant John Appelbaum, and Sergeant Paul Simmons). He added that Lt. Preuss was transferred to the detective bureau. He concluded that the new hires are scheduled to have a psychological evaluation this week and a physical examination the following week.

Chief Hall presented the commission a preliminary status report on calls for service the department ran in 2018 in comparison with 2017.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Resident Camera Program**

Chief Hall stated that the department will be reviewing neighboring municipalities the following month.

### **CALEA Update**

Lt. Willoughby presented the commission with the CALEA Assessment Report. He stated that the report was very positive and that the CALEA assessors praised the department in numerous categories.

## **DISCUSSION**

Chief Hall stated that in the next newsletter the departments Insurance Service Officer (ISO) rating will be featured to update the community of the departments improved rating.

Commissioner Sullivan announced her resignation from the public safety commission and tonight was her last commission meeting. Alderman Fitzpatrick, fellow commissioners, and department staff thanked Commissioner Sullivan for her service to the city and department.

Commissioner Ashcraft asked how things were at West County Center during the holidays. Capt. Fiala stated things were calm and uneventful.

Commissioner Ashcraft stated that there is a new electric speed limit sign on Bopp Road and thought the department might want to take a look at it.

Commissioner Lund asked how the department felt with the recent recommendation from the group Better Together of combining St. Louis City and St. Louis County as one governing entity. Chief Hall stated that he has spoken with many police chiefs in the area and many are not in favor of combining all police departments, and that the official report has not been released by Better Together.

**ADJOURNEMENT**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Lund seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by:

ATTEST:

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Mónica Llorián, Administrative Asst.

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