

Orting Public Safety Committee Meeting

February 13, 2018

ATTENDANCE Dave Harman, Chair/Deputy Mayor
 Greg Hogan, Co-Chair/Councilmember
 Bill Drake, Orting Police Chief
 Mark Bethune, City Administrator
 Todd Gunter, Councilmember

Call to Order at 9:30 am

Councilmember John Kelly was not able to attend due to a prior engagement.

AGENDA ITEMS

Restructuring of Committee – New Chairs

- Councilmembers Greg Hogan and John Kelly will be serving as the committee's new Co-Chairs. Meetings will be held the 1st Friday of each month at 9:30am, with the exception of March's meeting, which will take place on the Friday the 9th at 9:30 am.

Emergency Preparedness

- Each month the City administrator, Mark Bethune, would like to provide the committee with a brief update regarding the City's various Emergency Preparedness efforts. He indicated this would include topics related to preparing for, responding and recovering from all potential types of disaster.

Police Report

- Chief Drake reported that the combined 2017 police budget, 12 out of 12 months, is invested at approximately 99.8 percent.
- Last month, the department had a total of 677 police 911 calls for service and 158 police initiated traffic stops.
- A "conditional offer" of employment has been accepted by a lateral candidate for police officer. Pending success with the remainder of the employment process, he will start training in March.
- A recent grant from WASPC Traffic Safety Committee is providing the department with an "in car" radar rant and a street speed monitor sign grant. Value of these grants is approximately \$4,900.
- A grant acquired from AWC/RMSA is equipping officers with LEXIPOL daily training bulletin updates as well as a policy manual. This saves the department approximately \$2,500 to \$3,500.
- The department has a new Records Management System (RMS) "Enforcer." The switch occurred for us, Buckley and Fife and allows us to be part of a "county wide" records sharing system.

Search & Rescue Policy

- The policy has been sent to council for review.

Recreational Vehicle Ordinance

- The ordinance is being reviewed by the City Attorney/Code Enforcement for additional clarification on specific items. The ordinance will be further discussed at the next committee meeting.

Narcan Training

- In March, all Orting police officers will receive Narcan Training. A recent grant is supplying all department vehicles with Narcan kits. Councilmember Harman reported that Narcan is a medication that reverses the effects of an opioid overdose and is being used effectively by first responders.

Citizen Input

- Citizens expressed concern over chronic speeding in certain locations within the City. It was suggested that, in addition to radar speed signs, the committee/council explore other forms of “traffic calming.” Suggestions included photo enforcement and permanent posts with removable traffic signs.

Agenda for Next Committee Meeting

- Recreational Vehicle Ordinance
- Narcan
- Emergency Preparedness
- Police Report

Meeting Adjourned at 10:11 am

