

Orting Public Safety Committee Meeting
Orting City Hall Council Chambers
June 6, 2021

ATTENDANCE Tony Belot, Chair/Councilmember
 Todd Gunther, Vice Chair/Councilmember
 Scott Larson, City Administrator
 Lt. Ed Turner, Orting Police.
 Kristin Wetzel, Orting Police

Call to Order at 8 AM

AGENDA ITEMS

Approval of May 2021 Minutes

Agenda Items

Yard Burning Ordinance

- The committee addressed concerns from a citizen regarding outdoor burning practices within the city. The committee reviewed the current applicable ordinance regarding compliance and restrictions. The committee recommended reminding residents about burning laws via the Farmers Market and reader board.

Vandalism Arrests

- The Orting School District was recently vandalized. Windows, busses and roofing were damaged. The police department identified and arrested five juveniles. The case has been sent to the Pierce County Juvenile Prosecutor's Office.

LEMAP Update

- The department is beginning to receive feedback from the WASPC (Washington Association of Sheriffs & Police Chiefs) accreditation team. Recently, an on-site assessment and evaluation was conducted regarding the department's ability to meet all current accreditation standards. A formal report will be forthcoming and shared with the committee when available.

Other Business

Drug Possession

- New state law makes simple drug possession in this state a misdemeanor instead of a felony. It also requires that individuals be referred to a health evaluation and possible treatment for their first two violations. Lt. Ed Turner reported that our

dispatch provider is trying to establish a database to track drug possession charges.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:10 AM