

EMERGENCY SERVICE AND POLICE
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
May 2, 2024

In Attendance:

Members: Chairman Bob Hyatt, Councilman Don Hayden, Councilwoman Amanda Koren

Absent: Daniela Breedlove

City Staff: John Doyle, Jen Worth, Chief Cordova, Miriam Jones, Karen Crismon

Guests: Chief Mike Shempert, Jordan Light

Media: Darrell Maurina

- **Call to Order and Citizen Comments:** Councilman Hyatt called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. No Citizen Comments.
- **Appointment of Committee Chair-** Councilman Hyatt was appointed Chairman for Emergency Service and Police Committee. Councilman Hayden made a motion. Councilwoman Koren seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- **Approval of Minutes-** Councilman Hayden made a motion to approve the April 4, 2024, meeting minutes. Councilwoman Koren seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- **Animal Shelter Update-** John Doyle stated that Daniela Breedlove was in training this week. John Doyle stated that the shelter has been very busy. There are a lot of Saint Robert dogs at the shelter for various reasons. John Doyle stated that they are working through 2 agreements with the shelter. They are trying to finalize and get them submitted. Councilman Hayden stated he was at the shelter, and he noticed that their biggest need was a commercial washer and dryer and wanted to know if it was in the budget for them. John Doyle stated that we generally just cycle through regular ones and get as much life out of them as we possibly can. We have no idea how much life a commercial grade one would provide. Councilman Hayden asked about the Saint Robert contract. John Doyle stated that the Saint Robert contract comes up for review this month.
- **Fire Department Update-** Chief Shempert stated that they can now drive on the front and back aprons with the trucks. Chief Shempert stated that they will be setting a flag up on a ladder truck for the Wall that Heals on 2 different days (Tuesday and Thursday). Chief Shempert stated that since they have been at the new station they have already had close to 200 calls.
- **Central Dispatch Update-** Karen Crismon stated they had MULES up and running on both computers finally. They are working 2 people on each shift now that they are permanently up at City Hall. Karen Crismon stated that in January they had 657 calls for Waynesville and 101 calls for Richland. In February they had 751 calls for Waynesville and 109 calls for Richland. And in March they had 731 calls for Waynesville and 174 calls for Richland
- **Police Department Update-** Chief Cordova stated that on April 9, 2024, they had their CIT (Crisis Intervention Team) Meeting at the County Sheriff Department. Chief Cordova stated they were at the Sapper Competition on the 19th and there were 1000's of people in the park for the event. Chief Cordova stated they are busy working on the FY24 Non-Profit Security grant Program. There is less funding this year, the limit is \$150,000. Chief Cordova stated that their priority is communications for deployable radios in addition to more barriers and active shooter training. Chief Cordova also spoke about the 3v3 Lock-Up Event taking place in the park on May 11. Medrano, Hazel and Chief Cordova supply the food and drinks to feed all the kids for free and invite everyone to come out to support them.
- **Other Business-**

There was a need for a closed session. Councilwoman Koren made a motion to enter into closed session. Chairman Hyatt seconded that motion. Committee entered closed session at 4:30 p.m. Committee returned to open session at 5:25 p.m.

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- **Special Events-**

- Operation Feed the Community- May 4
- Waynesville 3rd Annual 3v3 Lock-Up- May 11
- Freedom Fest on the Square- May 11
- The Wall That Heals- May 16-19
- Kids to Park Day- June 1

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

The next meeting date is June 6, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.