

Murray Public Safety Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 13, 2022

Held at Fire Department Station #81

4848 South Box Elder Street

Time: 6:00 – 7:18 pm

In attendance: Chairperson: Alli Garrison; Police Deputy Chief Mike Obrey; Vice Chair: Andrea Washburn; Division Chief Matt Boulden, Scott Goodman; John Prestwich; and Deborah Crane

Excused: Brian Lohrke; Wayne Manu;

Allison Garrison Conducting

Approval of Minutes:

PSAB Meeting – January 12, 2022

Approved

Citizen Comments

No comments made.

Discussion Items

1. FD Community Breakfast – Deputy Fire Marshall Puls

Saturday, May 21st 8:00 to 10:00 am

Menu will include pancakes, etc.

They have a group that will be supporting the organization and set-up of the activity

CERT Training, FD Recruiting, the PSA Board, and the Murray PD Cadets will all have tables at the event

Paul Davis Restoration will sponsor the event and help with advertising/geo-fencing

FM Puls stated that a flyer could be designed for board and a discussion about the content took place. The idea of having shirts created for the board will be on the agenda in May

2. Community Meeting/Neighborhood Watch – Wayne Manu

Deputy Chief Police Obrey and FD Division Chief Boulden both indicated that this area of the city is troubled with high crime and high volume of calls involving the fire department. There has also been issues with theft on fire hydrants and other fire department property. The Neighborhood

Watch Community Meeting is a great move toward improving this community area.

3. Outside groups and invitations to meetings - Alli Garrison

Andrea made a request to invite particular groups to the board meetings and Alli took this request to the city. Alli spoke with GL Critchfield, Murray City Attorney, regarding issuing invitations to specific groups to attend the Murray PSAB meetings. The Board should not appear to sponsor or favor certain groups as written in the bylaws. The board was designed to be representative of a diverse group of the citizens of Murray City.

2022 Policy Review - (MCPD) Use of Force Policy, Section 301 - Review Boards-

Items discussed:

One of the representatives on the review board is identified as "A sworn officer from an outside law enforcement agency", Allie asked what department and how are they selected for the assignment—Chief indicated they contact different agencies and request a representee for the review board and the department selects the individual and assigns them to assist with the review board.

Alli asked regarding the review by the Chief of Police of the recommendations from the review board - Has the Chief ever ruled against recommendations from the board? Chief Obrey explained that these review boards are designed to review the practices, procedures, training processes, and equipment use. Use of force review board identifies where there is a need to adjust or improve training practices. Another question - Is the officer involved in the review on leave through the time that he is being investigated by DA for a use of force involved in a shooting? The DA review can extend as long as a year and it was determined that after the completion of the Internal Affairs investigation and the officer is cleared, an officer may return to police service.

4. Murray City Fun Days and PSA Board involvement - Andrea Washburn
Murray Fun Days - Monday, July 4th, 2022

Discussed favorably, this will be put on the agenda for a vote in May - on participation of board in the Murray Fun Days Parade.

5. Recent developments, activities, and concerns - Alli Garrison

- Scott indicated that Cottonwood Heights is also creating a Public Safety Board for their city.
- FD Division Chief Matt Boulden requested some support and future consideration for a realistic training area for the fire department. This will be presented to the board at a later in the year.

Fire Department Policy Review for upcoming months:

Swift Water Rescue in May, 2022

Fireworks Safety in June, 2022

Natural Gas Safety, Backyard cooking, and Safe use of firepits in July, 2022

In accordance with the policy, Chief Obrey will invite Murray PD Victim Advocates to educate the Board at the May meeting.

It was also suggested the Community Mental Health Workers present to the board at a future board meeting. Both items will appear on a future agenda when confirmed.

Announcements

Board Officer Elections - per Bylaws take place at the meeting on July 13, 2022, please consider serving.

Adjourned: 7:18pm