

Murray City Public Safety Advisory Board Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, September 14, 2022, at 6:00 PM

Location: Murray City Fire Department - Station 81

4848 S Box Elder Street

Murray, UT 84107

Attending:

Chairperson: Alli Garrison; Andrea Washburn; Police Deputy Chief Mike Obrey; Fire Captain Matt Boulden; Scott Goodman; John Prestwich; Brian Lohrke; Detective Taylor Blauer; and Deborah Crane

Excused: Wayne Manu

Meeting Agenda

6:00 p.m.

Public Safety Advisory Board

Allison Garrison conducting.

Approval of Minutes

PSAB Meeting - August 10, 2022, approved as distributed

Citizen Comments

No comments

Discussion Items

1. Murray PD and the County DA's Office - Chief Obrey and Detective Taylor Blauer

Information regarding the process that Murray City Police Department Detectives follow in filing cases with the District Attorney's Office.

In Murray Police Department there are 5 Detective Divisions:

Vehicle

Property

Fraud

Narcotics

Person Crimes

Procedure and process:

Patrol officers will file reports on cases where arrests were made

The case will be assigned to a detective, which will be reviewed and determined if all evidence is verified and if further information is needed. The case is prepared and processed and sent to the DA's office using an online tool - eProsecutor. (Alli asked who maintains and pays for the eProsecutor application? District Attorney's Office). The detective inputs all the information for the case. The DA's office will review the case file and determine if it will be returned to the officer for further evidence gathering or information, or filed for prosecution.

Alli asked: What is the turn-around time for the DA filing a case? The time varies significantly case to case. An emergency request can be made especially when children are involved.

When a case involves children and their safety, detectives are trained to interview and collect information with consideration for the children. They conduct the interviews at a Children's Justice Center, a child-friendly environment. They will also present the case in person staff to the DA for a rapid case review by the DA to protect the children.

OIC (Officer-Involved Critical Incident Unit)

This multi-agency unit is called on when there is an officer involved shooting or death.

The Teams are centered West Valley City, West Jordan, and Salt Lake City, and a member of the District Attorney's office. The objective is to investigate the shooting with as little bias as possible. The unit will investigate and present the information to the DA to determine whether the shooting was justified or unjustified. If found unjustified the DA can file charges against the officer, or not.

The city police internal affairs department will also do an investigation to determine if policies and procedures were followed by the officer in the incident.

2. New Fire Department Liaison - Capt. Matt Boulden

Follow-up on Andrea's question on fire hydrants:

Captain Boulden provided information on fire hydrants: There are public and private fire hydrants (the private are generally on private property). Public fire hydrants are maintained by the fire department. The private fire hydrants are maintained by the owner of the property. The color of the hydrant determines the size of the water pipe the hydrant is attached to.

Training tower and property update - Captain Boulden shared a photograph of the training tower that they are proposing for the fire department. The site they were considering is not a viable option when all factors are considered. They have narrowed the search to three location and will have more information on the selected site at the next board meeting.

Captain Boulden indicated that approximate cost of this training facility is \$700,000.

How large is the location that you are looking for? - Scott

The location and zoning of the property will be a primary issue to consider for this facility. Captain Boulder indicated that at this time they are limited in their training schedule to Tuesdays as they utilize other agencies' facilities and that is when they can schedule them. He indicated that there is a big benefit to having this training tower as you cannot simulate live burns without live burns.

Alli asked: Would you be able to charge other agencies to use the tower? He explained that other departments do not charge our department to use their facility so we would not charge for ours.

There will follow up on the properties for which one will work for the criteria needed.

This information will be presented at our next board meeting for a vote on whether to make a recommendation to Fire Chief Mittelman.

Fire Department Ride-alongs:

Scott Goodman - October 7th

Andrea Washburn - September 17th

John Prestwich - September 24th

Alli Garrison - October 28th

Brian Lohrke - October 21st

Deb Crane - October 15th

Wayne will contact Captain Boulden via email to schedule

Ride along shift is 5:00 to 9:00 pm (approximately)

Please call the Battalion Chief's cell at 801-264-2784, with any issues and to gain access to the fire station for your shift.

Police Department Ride-alongs (5 to 9)

John Prestwich - October 8th

Scott Goodman - November 10th

Alli Garrison - October 29th

Andrea Washburn - September 23rd

Brian Lohkre - October 22nd

Deb Crane - October 1st

Wayne will contact the Sgt. Swenson to schedule

Ride along shift is 5:00 to 9:00

Please call Sgt. Swenson at 385-414-6464 with scheduling issues or concerns

3. Policy Review

MCPD (304) - Conducted energy Device

Question asked Detective Blauer by Deb: How often do you certify? Officers must recertify every year with the device.

Alli asked how often the devices were used by officers - Chief Obry estimated less than 5 times annually. Discussion occurred about where the devices were kept in relation to firearms and the training provided to prevent an accidental engagement or usage either device.

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

Wayne reported via email to Alli that there is an upcoming multi-cultural activity at the LDS 3rd ward in Millcreek on September 24th and asked if Chief Burnett would be able to attend- Chief Obrey took the information to provide to the Chief and Alli will follow-up with Wayne.

Wayne also asked via email if MPD officers attend Little League games? He thought it might be a great outreach for officers. Chief Obrey indicated that at times the department will be hired to attend games if there has been an issue or concern.

Andrea asked Chief Obrey about a report she had read with evidence that many public safety officers (nationwide) were members of/targeted for membership in the group Proud Boys and specially, what would happen if Murray PD or FD staff were found to be involved with an extremist group?

Brian, in his assignment with the state, answered that question indicating that any involvement would be reviewed on an agency basis and his recollection was that no one from Murray appeared in the audit in which he participated.

Chief Obrey indicated that Murray PD policy prevents involvement in unlawful groups. (Researched and added for these minutes: Specifically, MCPD Policy Manual Section 320.4.4 Part e. - Relationships)

Announcements

Policy Review for October Meeting:

MCPD: Section 305 ([link](#)) - Office-Involved Shootings and Deaths

MCFD: SOG Topic: to be determined

Adjournment - Meeting 7:31 pm