

**Menifee Public Safety Committee
MINUTES
Tuesday, September 8, 2020
Regular Session 3:00 PM**

**City Council Chambers
29844 Haun Road
Menifee, CA 92586**

**Matt Liesemeyer, Chair
Lesia Sobek, Committee Member**



REGULAR MEETING (3:00 P.M)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Matt Liesemeyer called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were: Committee Chair Matt Liesemeyer, Committee Member Lesia Sobek, City Manager Armando Villa, Assistant City Manager Jeff Wyman, Executive Assistant Mandy Stephens, Senior Traffic Engineer Rob Blough, Community Services/Acting Public Works Director Jonathan Nicks, Park Ranger Amanda Ingraham, Police Captain Dave Gutierrez, Police Sergeant Raul Perez, Fire Chief Kirk Barnett, Fire Marshal Sonya Bu, Animal Control Officer Monique Middleton.

3. PRESENTATIONS

None.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

None.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

5.1 August 11, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes.

The committee members approved the minutes unanimously (2-0) with no modifications.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Fire Department Monthly Report

Fire Division Chief Kirk Barnett provided the monthly report and reported the significant incidents for August. Committee Chair Liesemeyer asked about the increased number of responses for Code 3 Enroute to Onscene time for the +10 minute section. Fire Chief Barnett said it could be due to areas that are more difficult to get to, as well as receiving false alarm calls. He said he would look into the longer response times and would include it in his next report.

Fire Chief Barnett said Chief Newman is retiring and the new Fire Chief is Bill Weiser.

6.2 Office of the Fire Marshall Report

Fire Marshal Sonya Bu provided the monthly report and said August has been their busiest month and they utilized everyone on their team to complete inspections. She said a blasting permit was issued for four blasts for the upcoming KB Homes Underwood project. Committee Member Sobek asked if a notice goes out to residents to warn them. Fire Marshal Bu said Economic Development sends out a notice on the website and this blast was not close enough to residents.

Committee Member Liesemeyer asked about the turnaround time for inspections and Fire Marshal Bu said it was four days.

6.3 Menifee Police Department Staff Report

Police Captain Dave Gutierrez provided the monthly report and stated the department has transitioned to more enforcement policing and less warnings. There has been extra patrol in problem areas which assists in deterring crime.

Committee Member Sobek asked how the Police Department is handling transients in the city. Captain Gutierrez said Social Work Action Group (SWAG) and the Police Department have been working together and offering transients services to assist them.

6.4 Code Enforcement Monthly Staff Report.

Police Sergeant Raul Perez presented the monthly report. He stated three nail salons were operating out of compliance and were told to move operations outside to comply with County regulations in relation to COVID-19.

Sergeant Perez also talked about ways to help businesses dealing with transients. He said there are "no trespassing" forms that are available and that businesses should not encourage free Wi-Fi or outlets to charge phones as this can lead to loitering. He encourages business owners to put in calls for service via the non-emergency phone number to help keep track of how many calls a location receives and for a faster response time.

6.5 Animal Control Monthly Report

Animal Control Officer Monique Middleton provided the monthly report and stated they had received a grant to fund microchipping and spay/neuter procedures which would increase return to owner numbers.

6.6 Public Works/Engineering Report

Senior Traffic Engineer Rob Blough provided the monthly report and Acting Public Works Director Jonathan Nicks made a correction to item 17 on the report; the Active Transportation Plan Draft Report would be going to the Parks and Trails Commission on October 1, 2020 not October 8, 2020.

Committee Member Sobek asked about the grant for the median on Newport Road and La Piedra Road, Senior Traffic Engineer Blough said they would receive the design by September 15, 2020 and then it would be put out to bid.

6.7 Community Services Monthly Report

Park Ranger Amanda Ingraham provided the monthly report and said the department was working on a reopening plan for the skate park. She informed the committee about the Adopt a Trail program where different non-profit groups are helping to look after and clean up trails.

6.8 School Districts Monthly Report

No representatives from the School Districts were present.

7. STAFF COMMENTS

Assistant City Manager Wyman updated the Committee with a question from the last meeting regarding the retrofitting of the LED streetlights. He said 6400 lights were purchased and some were not available to be purchased. Less than 5 percent were not able to be converted to LED and there would be a second true up to convert the remaining fixtures if possible, after verifying any issues with the locations.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS ON COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

Committee Member Sobek asked about public service announcements (PSA) for domestic violence awareness. She said October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and would like to do a gift card fund raiser. She had received interest from several companies and would like to see how this could be implemented. City Manager Armando Villa said this was something that Community Services would be able to assist with.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Liesemeyer adjourned the meeting at 4:27 p.m.



Mandy Stephens, Executive Assistant