

**City of Menifee Public Safety Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2014**

1. Call to order and roll call

Committee member August called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

Present were: Chair John Denver, Committee member Greg August, City Manager Robert Johnson, City Clerk Kathy Bennett, Captain Mike Judge, Lt. Charles Guillen, Senior Management Analyst Gina Gonzalez, Animal Control Officer Middleton, two members of the public.

2. Public Comments

None

3. Minutes – June 10, 2014 – approved as presented

4. Discussion of Homeless Situation in Menifee/Sun City

City Manager Johnson noted the general discussion will focus on what the City can or cannot do in relation to the homeless issues and all the related matters such as protecting a retail corridor yet keeping the homeless or vagrant population down as is possible.

Captain Judge explained there is a need to distinguish between homeless (individual or families with a home temporarily), or transients (those who are on the street and often do not wish to be taken off the street). He explained that there are several ways the two types of problem can be handled including calling police if there is a crime committed, use letter 602 from owners of property to be allowed to disburse the vagrant population, and work with the programs that are available. He noted he is working on a program in a neighboring city and he will report on the success of the program as it moves along.

Captain Judge also noted that he has SET team officers that are processing updated 602 letters from property owners. The committee discussed the needs of the individuals and way to assist in helping move them away from a location. Captain Judge stated it is possible to move them away from one place in town but that they will just move to another area in town.

City Manager Johnson noted he would work with staff and the Chamber of Commerce to produce a form that would list ways and types of assistance available to give to local businesses so that business could contact an agency for help without confronting the

individual who is in their center or area. He agreed to return with a list at the next meeting for the Committee to review.

Animal Control Officer Middleton updated the Council on the work animal Control is doing and noted that the new after hours drop off is now opening in the County shelter for residents to use. She updated Council on the new identification numberings system on intake animals to make locating the animal easier.

5. City Manager Comments


City Manager Johnson noted the next meeting will be September 9, 2014 at 3 p.m.

6. Committee Members Comments

Committee members agreed they would like to see the proposal for a City wide public safety district formation.

7. Adjournment

Committee member August adjourned the meeting at 4:06 p.m.



Kathy Bennett, City Clerk