

**Menifee Public Safety Committee
MINUTES
Tuesday, November 10, 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 3:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were: Committee Chair Matt Liesemeyer, Committee Member Lesia Sobek, City Manager Armando Villa, Records Technician Roxy Elliott, Senior Traffic Engineer Rob Blough, Community Services/Acting Public Works Director Jonathan Nicks, Park Ranger Brandon Sampson, Police Chief Pat Walsh, Police Captain Dave Gutierrez, Police Sergeant Raul Perez, Fire Chief Kirk Barnett, Fire Captain Josh Hinman, Animal Control Sergeant Mo Middleton, Animal Control Sergeant Nonnenmacher

3. PRESENTATIONS

None.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

None.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

5.1 October 13, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes.

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

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.2 Office of the Fire Marshall Report

Fire Marshal Sonya Bu provided the monthly report for October and provided an update on digital submittals for plans.

Committee Member Sobek inquired about the process for fire inspections above and below ground. Fire Marshall Sonya Bu provided clarity.

Committee Chair Liesemeyer inquired about the timing of Wellquest. Ms. Bu responded the completion date was scheduled for February of 2021.

6.1 Fire Department Monthly Report

Fire Division Chief Kirk Barnett provided the monthly report and reported the significant incidents in October.

The Committee discussed the idea of adding the number of fire inspections being completed on the City's website. City Manager Armando Villa stated he would discuss displaying the report information with Public Information Officer Dominique Samario.

Mr. Villa voiced concerns about the changes to Canyon Lake's contract with Cal Fire and what could be done to prevent the workload from impacting the City of Menifee. Chief Barnett discussed the requirements for Canyon Lake to have their own Fire Department and the process, highlighting they are very early in their process and at the moment there is not anything that Menifee can do. The Committee voiced additional concerns and Chief Barnett provided clarity on the process.

6.3 Menifee Police Department Staff Report

Police Captain Dave Gutierrez provided the monthly report for October, highlighting major incidents. Captain Gutierrez discussed upcoming programs to reduce the number of thefts over the holidays. Captain Gutierrez elaborated on a major incident involving marijuana cultivation in the City of Menifee.

Committee Member Sobek asked about if there was child involvement in the marijuana cultivation case and Captain Gutierrez responded that Child Protective Services had been notified of the case. The Committee had further discussion on the issues with marijuana cultivation within the City.

Chief Pat Walsh reported on the arising issues with fentanyl and the Committee had a discussion on the effects.

At 3:40 p.m. Fire Engine 7 staff joined the meeting.

- 6.1 The Committee asked for a report from the Fire Captain. Fire Captain Josh Hinman continued discussion regarding a major incident that occurred in the City of Menifee involving arson and Fire Station 7. He reported Fire Engine 7 moved quickly and were commended for rescuing the citizens located inside the building that was on fire.

6.3 Code Enforcement Monthly Staff Report

Police Sergeant Raul Perez presented the monthly report and major complaints for the month of October. He stated a Code Enforcement employee has returned from leave and will be alleviating some of the workload.

At 4:03 p.m. Fire Engine 7 left the meeting.

Mr. Perez spoke of a homeless citizen who assisted staff in solving an investigation and was seeking assistance in rehabilitation. He further reported on how the City was able to assist the citizen.

6.4 Animal Control Monthly Report

Animal Control Sergeant Middleton introduced Animal Control Sergeant Nonnenmacher. Sergeant Nonnenmacher provided the October report and highlighted major incidents.

Sergeant Middleton discussed the spay and neuter voucher program and provided an email from Tammi Boyd to the Committee.

6.5 Public Works/Engineering Report

Senior Traffic Engineer Rob Blough provided the monthly report. Mr. Blough reported on future changes to the cameras located on traffic signals within the City of Menifee.

6.6 Community Services Monthly Report

Park Ranger Brandon Sampson provided the monthly report for October.

Committee Member Sobek inquired about where complaints stem from. Mr. Sampson responded complaints were received by phone calls from the community.

6.7 School Districts Monthly Report

No representatives from the School Districts were present.

Mr. Villa discussed reaching out to the school districts and anticipates their participation in the Public Safety Meetings in the near future.

The Committee discussed the importance of the school districts' participation and elaborated on past issues with schools and crossing guards.

7 STAFF COMMENTS

None.

8 COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS ON COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

Committee Member Sobek discussed having more conversations about plans to reduce homelessness in the community in January of 2021.

9 ADJOURMENT

Chair Liesemeyer adjourned the meeting at 4:46 p.m.



Roxy Elliott, Records Technician