

Minutes –Advisory Committee on Public Safety (ACOPS)

Paradise Valley Police Department
6433 East Lincoln Drive
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253

Date of Meeting: December 22,2020

ACOPS Members in Attendance:

- Councilmember Ellen Andeen
- Mike Cummiskey
- Tim Dickman
- Jeff Gaia
- Paul Moore
- Jay Ozer
- Ryan Woody

PVPD in attendance:

- Community Resource Officer Steven McGhee
- Chief of Police Peter Wingert

Public Attendees: none

The ACOPS meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m. on Tuesday 12/22/2020, via Zoom

Minute Taker

. The assigned minute taker: Jay Ozer

Agenda item #II, Assign minute taker/approve past minutes:

Motion: Jay Ozer Second: Mike Commiskey

Minutes were approved by the Committee

Agenda item #III, Program:

Topic: Welcome: Mayor Bien-Willner: The mayor thanked the Committee Members for their service and discussed the status of the STR activity. The Mayor wished everyone a Happy Holiday Season

Agenda topic V.

Distracted Driving: CRO McGhee talked about the new flyer that has been produced as a tool to be handed out explaining the issue. He also indicated that Distracted Driving was a topic at the Coffee with a Cop session and was well received. It was videotaped and will be posted on the PV YouTube channel.

Agenda topic #VI, a: Accreditation next steps

Chief Wingert explained that there is a meeting on January 28 where it is expected that the Town Police Department will be recommended for Accreditation and that recommendation will be sent to the Board for final approval. The Accreditation is for 4 years but the Department has to prove annually that it is still complying.

Agenda topic #VI, b: Legislature makeup

The Chief updated us on the makeup in the State which now has 16 Republicans and 14 Democrats in the Senate and 31 Republicans and 29 Democrats in the House. The Town's House Representative are Kelli Butler and Aaron Lieberman and the Senator is Christine Marsh (Kate Brophy McGee was not reelected).

Agenda topic #VI, c i.: STR effort—video produced by CRO McGhee—

CRO McGhee showed a draft video that he has produced that was extremely well done and will be supplemented with additional information, hopefully, from other Departments in the State and then be used as a learning tool and for lobbying in the future. The Committee was impressed by the quality of the video and congratulated CRO McGhee on a great effort.

VII: NEW ITEMS

Agenda topic #VII, a: Phoenix v. Paradise Valley. Chief Wingert talked about Safety, Crime and Officer Vacancies for Phoenix as compared to PV. The Chief showed the UCR Summary for November, 2020 which is attached and walked the Committee through many of the statistics. He also walked the Committee through the March-December Priority 4 Calls for Service chart which is also attached. It appears the Town is in good shape staffing wise.

Agenda topic #VII, b: YANA Podcast—CRO McGhee talked about the podcast and brought the Committee up to date on the program. There are approximately 20 residents that are registered for the program. He also described that there were 2 instances which resulted in life saving intervention. It is a great program and is so helpful for our single elderly residents living alone.

VIII. Quarterly Outreach discussion:

Agenda topic #VII, a: Coffee with a Cop. CRO McGhee outlined the plans for the next 3 months. He has reached out to the BBB and FCC to talk about consumer scams at the January session. They are working on their presentations. He also has reached out to the FTC to possibly talk about robocalls, etc at the February session and hopes to reach out to the IRS to talk about tax scams at the March session.

Agenda topic #IX-Public Comment: Mike Commiskey took this opportunity to talk about the end of the Foundation since the idea started with this Committee. He indicated that they are in the final stages of wrapping up the Foundation and it will be transferred to the Town Council. It was an excellent couple of years but the decision was to terminate it. He thanked the Committee for its support.

Agenda topic #X-Next meeting date: February 9, 2021_____

Agenda topic #XI-Future Agenda Topics: Legislature activity , an update on recreational marijuana and continuing updates on short term rentals and possibly traffic cameras.

Adjourn: 7:25_____ p.m.
Time