

EMERGENCY SERVICE AND POLICE
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September 7, 2023

In Attendance:

Members: Councilman Ed Conley, Councilman Bill Farnham

City Staff: John Doyle, Michele Brown, Miriam Jones, Karen Crismon, Chief Dan Cordova

Guests: Chief Mike Shempert, Mayor Sean Wilson, Jordan Light, Jerry Brown

Media: Darrell Maurina

Absent: Councilman Bob Hyatt, Chairman Clarence Liberty

1. **Call to Order and Citizen Comments:** Councilman Conley called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. No Citizen Comments.
2. **Approval of minutes-** Councilman Farnham made a motion to approve the August 3, 2023, meeting minutes. Councilman Conley seconded the motion. Motion passed.
3. **Animal Shelter Update-** Michele Brown stated the animal shelter is going through a remodel so supervisor not available for update. John Doyle stated ARPA funds are being used to redo the floors in the Animal Shelter; removing furniture and temporarily staging in back of the shelter until floors are finished.
4. **Fire Department Update-** Chief Shempert provided an update; all new lights have been put in the fire station; moving the heater that was in the gas dept over to the fire dept sine we are able to repurpose it; heater was inspected by Beasleys and is in good shape; paging system and speakers have been received, just waiting on antenna; move in date end of year or first of next year.
5. **Central Dispatch Update-** Karen Crismon provided the update; hired 6 full time employees; 4 currently working and 2 coming in mid-October.
6. **Police Department Update-** Chief Cordova stated the newest hire, Officer Geiger has officially hit the road on his own. Officer Bennet, prior dispatch, is also on his own. One position is still open and job posting is out.
7. **FY2024 Departmental Budget Meetings (Provisional)-** Mr. Doyle provided the tentative meeting dates for internal budget meetings with staff; will go over budgets in detail in October committee meetings and take to the council for final approval.
 - Police- 9/12/2023 at 9:00 a.m. / Animal Shelter- 9/14/23 at 9:00 a.m.
 - Dispatch- 9/18/23 at 9:00 a.m. / Court- 9/19/23 at 9:00 a.m.
 - Makeup dates- 9/26 & 9/27
8. **Special Events-**
 - Patriot Day Festival- September 9th – 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - A Community of Heroes- September 11 – 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
 - Hogs and Frogs- September 22-24, 2023
 - Pumpkinfest- October 28, 2023

There was a need for a closed session. Councilman Farnham made a motion to enter closed session. Councilman Conley seconded the motion. The committee entered closed session at 3:50 p.m.

Councilman Farnham made a motion to return to open session. Councilman Conley seconded that motion. Committee returned to open session at 4:05 p.m.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Next meeting date October 5, 2023, at 3:30 p.m.