

EMERGENCY SERVICE AND POLICE
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
October 5, 2023

In Attendance:

Members: Councilman Ed Conley, Councilman Bob Hyatt, Councilwoman Trudy Dils

City Staff: John Doyle, Michele Brown, Miriam Jones, Karen Crismon, Chief Dan Cordova, Jen Worth, Lt Mark Piles

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

- **Call to Order and Citizen Comments:** Councilman Conley called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. No Citizen Comments.
- **Approval of minutes-** Councilman Hyatt made a motion to approve the September 7, 2023, meeting minutes. Councilwoman Dils seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- **Emergency Services Budget (Preliminary)-** Preliminary budgets for Animal Shelter, Fire, Dispatch and Police provided. Final budgets will be brought in November.
- **Animal Shelter Update-** Animal Shelter was closed to the public last month due to construction; new flooring and other projects funded through ARPA.
- **Fire Department Update-** Chief Shempert stated there was a structure fire at a duplex on Washington Street; currently under investigation. Hydrants have been renumbered; just had to do 8 more; had one firefighter leave and have hired another one.
- **Central Dispatch Update-** Karen Crismon stated computers are here; radios ship out today; secure phone line will be installed; Currently have four dispatchers. Karen Crismon and Rose Gramh attended the CJIS Security Conference; a lot of changes coming in 2024 that have to comply with more security.
- **Police Department Update-** Chief Cordova is requesting to promote one of his officers to a detective; non contested candidate. John Doyle stated there is also a corporal position open; looking in-house first to fill; if qualified applicant then will be considered if not will advertise outside if necessary. This will be an active open position and hire next year. Chief Cordova stated October 8th to 22nd is the speed enforcement campaign.
- **Special Events-**
 - Homecoming Parade- October 6th – 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 - Fall Fest- Roubidoux Park- October 7th
 - Oktoberfest- Downtown Square- October 14th
 - Pumpkinfest- October 28th
 - Veterans Day Parade- Saint Robert- November 11th
 - Christmas Parade- December 3rd
 - Christmas on the Square- December 7th

There was a need for a closed session. Councilwoman Dils made a motion to enter closed session. Councilman Hyatt seconded the motion. The committee entered closed session at 3:52 p.m.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

The next meeting date is November 2, 2023, at 3:30 p.m.