



Des Peres Public Safety Department  
12325 Manchester Road  
Des Peres, MO. 63131  
May 15, 2023

The meeting of the Board of Public Safety Commission was held at 6:00 p.m. on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023 in the Aldermanic Chambers for the transaction of such business that may come before the Commission.

Present: Commissioner Chair .....Larry Beermann  
Commissioner.....Robert Ashcraft  
Commissioner.....Caitie Zimmerman  
Commissioner.....Matt McGrath  
Chief.....Eric Hall  
Captain.....Vicki Severs  
Administrative Assistant.....Mónica Llorián

Not Present: Alderman.....Sean Concagh  
Captain.....Dale Fiala  
Support Lieutenant.....John Appelbaum

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioner Chair Beermann opened the meeting. Administrative Asst. Llorián commenced with the roll call. There was a quorum with Alderman Concagh, Captain Fiala and Support Lieutenant Appelbaum absent with excuse. Commissioner Zimmerman arrived to the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

**HEAR CITIZENS**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Ashcraft made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2023 meeting. Commissioner Beermann seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

**AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA**

None

**ALDERMANIC REPORT**

Chief Hall stated that the Board of Alderman held a public hearing at the last meeting in reference to the requirements of conditional use permits for comprehensive marijuana sales. He stated Route 66 dispensary has already been approved for medical marijuana.

Chief Hall stated that the plans for the Magnolia Ridge apartment complex were approved through planning and zoning and will be forwarded to the Board of Alderman. He stated the department did an initial review and did not have any concerns with the project at this time that would have an impact on public safety. Chief Hall stated that the complex will have with approximately 186 units.

Chief Hall stated the Shake Shack restaurant has started pouring concrete, however, the time line on completion is unknown but expect would assume either later this year or early 2024.

## **BUDGET**

Chief Hall that the budget is on pace with 58.5% remaining. He added that overtime for paramedic staffing is a recurring issue but has slowed down the last month. He added that the department may request a supplemental budget appropriation due to overall overtime and has sent initial information to the city administrator.

Chief Hall stated that the department's three (3) new Chevrolet Tahoe's are currently being built. He stated that the department will look at other purchasing options as there is no longer state contracts. He stated that they are looking at Tahoe's off the lot or if needed going out to bid.

Chief Hall concluded that they are preparing for the 2024 budget.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Hiring Process Update**

Chief Hall stated that the command staff have met with Human Resource Coordinator (HRC) Beebe and Asst. City Administrator Schaefer to review and make modifications to the hiring process. He stated that they would leave the application process open moving forward and review applications as they are received. Chief Hall stated that moving forward HRC Beebe would receive all applications for the department and filter them to Public Safety.

Chief Hall stated that the department's new officer, who is a supervisor with a neighboring department, has given his notice and will hopefully start with the department in the next three weeks. The department is hiring an additional part-time paramedic who we also hope to have start in the same time frame. He concluded that this part-time paramedic is also police certified and could be a PSO candidate in the future.

## **DISCUSSION**

Chief Hall presented the commission with summary of EMS billing from neighboring municipalities.

During the discussion, Chief Hall received a call for a house fire. Chief Hall requested to be excused from the meeting to respond to the fire which the commission agreed. Commissioner Ashcraft made a motion to table the discussion of EMS billing. Commissioner McGrath seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNEMENT**

Commissioner McGrath made a motion to adjourn due to fire call received during the meeting. Commissioner Zimmerman seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by:

ATTEST:

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Mónica Llorián, Administrative Asst.

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