

MINUTES

CITY OF SAN DIMAS
 PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
 TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2010 5:30 PM
 SAN DIMAS SHERIFF'S STATION
 270 SOUTH WALNUT
 SAN DIMAS

ATTENDANCE:

Members:

Staff/City Representatives - Guests:

Karol Curtis	Mayor Curt Morris excused
Alan Nash, Chair	Councilmember Emmett Badar
Dave Campbell	City Manager Blaine Michaelis
Bob Olander	Captain Joe Hartshorne
Tom Molina	Chief Pena, LACO Fire
Paul Kirby excused	Mike White CAT
Ted Ross	Ed MacKenzie CAT
Randy Alva	Sgt. Ray Roth CAT
Norm Wiles absent	Jeff Grisso CAT
Fred Ortiz	Everett Wade SRO
Jim McCants, Vice Chair	Tim Ruggiero CAT
Patrick Jones excused	Lt. Robles

- I. Welcome and Call to Order
 Meeting called to order by Chair Nash at 5:31 pm.
- II. Business from the public not on the agenda
 None
- III. Approval of the July 20, 2010 Minutes – Commissioners absent from the meeting abstained from the approval.
- IV. Sheriff's Department Annual Report

Former CAT Leader Ed MacKenzie introduced team members and summarized the activity of the CAT for the past year. 214 arrests, 117 citations, 234 reports. 3 checkpoints – resulting in 11 arrests, 70 citations, and 37 cars towed. The team focuses on graffiti investigations and noted 30 successful arrests and thousands of dollars in restitution recovered. Mayor Morris thanked the team for this effort – it means a lot to the community. Deputy MacKenzie noted that the team works with the Detective Bureau – 52 cases resulted in 47 cases solved. The team also assists the School Resource Officer as needed on truancy cases. The team conducts undercover patrols, and assists with the registration of sex offenders. Deputy MacKenzie noted that the Team has access to a broad array of Department resources to compile information and to assist them in their work. He noted there are around 8,000 parolees in LA County – 40 or so are in San Dimas. The team works with parolees and their agents to encourage a law abiding life. The team also provides support to Neighborhood Enforcement and Abatement Team efforts with the city (the NEAT group), and they also support various city events and activities.

Former SRO White reported 79 arrests, 57 citations, and 57 reports over the last year. Projects include Every 15 Minutes, rapid deployment training, lock in drills, career day, and red ribbon week for the schools. He serves on committees related to school attendance,

defense planning, and the SDHS Safety Committee. He administers school truancy and discipline issues, and counseling of students.

Captain Hartshorne noted the benefit of having a Community Action Team to respond to public safety needs in the community. The Commission expressed appreciation for the presentation and the work of the CAT.

V. Reports from Staff

City Manager Michaelis provided a report on the Grove Station and Fresh n Easy projects. He noted that the city hall project is about half way through the construction process and it is going well.

Captain Hartshorne noted the success of the San Dimas Station reunion get together conducted this past Saturday. He expressed appreciation for the work of Dave Campbell to put the event together.

Chief Pena reported all is well with the Fire Department. The Fire Department will be presenting their annual report at the November 16, 2010 meeting of the Commission.

VI. Reports from Commissioners

Commissioner Molina noted that the picnic tables are chained to the trees at Via Verde Park – it is difficult to sit at the table.

Commissioner Ortiz said he spoke with someone that lives near Ekstrand School that is concerned with the impact of Little League with parked cars blocking driveways and the National Anthem being broadcast early in the morning.

Commissioner Olander wanted to know how things were going with the change in having the Sheriff's Department take over the Park Police responsibilities. Captain Hartshorne noted that the transition has gone very well.

Commissioner Campbell said there is a street light that is not working properly near 602 Walnut.

Commissioner McCants asked that the city check the length of the red curb along the Wesleyan Church. There are times when it is difficult to turn right from Gladstone north to San Dimas Avenue when vehicles are parked too close to the intersection.

VII. Adjournment at 6:25 pm. Next meeting November 16, 2010 5:30 pm.