

MINUTES

CITY OF SAN DIMAS
 PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
 TUESDAY JANUARY 18, 2011 5:30 PM
 SAN DIMAS MT. RESCUE FACILITY
 122 EAST FIRST STREET
 SAN DIMAS

ATTENDANCE:

Members:

Staff/City Representatives - Guests:

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| Karol Curtis | Mayor Curt Morris |
| Alan Nash, Chair | Councilmember Emmett Badar |
| Dave Campbell | City Manager Blaine Michaelis |
| Bob Olander | Vince Pena, Chief LA Co Fire |
| Tom Molina | Joe Hartshorne, Commander-Elect LASD |
| Paul Kirby | Joe McDonald, Det. LASD |
| Ted Ross | Wayne Tolosa, SD Mt. Rescue Captain |
| Randy Alva | Mark Nelson, SD Mt. Rescue |
| Norm Wiles | Charles McCants, guest |
| Fred Ortiz | |
| Jim McCants, Vice Chair | |
| Patrick Jones – absent – excused | |

- I. Welcome and Call to Order
 Meeting called to order by Chair Nash at 5:30 pm.
- II. Business from the public not on the agenda - none
- III. Approval of the November 16, 2010 Minutes – Commissioners absent from the meeting abstained from the approval.
- IV. Disasters in the City and the Role of the San Dimas Mountain Rescue Team
 Reserve Captain Wayne Tolosa provided a background and history of the Rescue Team. He noted their cooperation and joint work with other agencies with Mountain and flatland call outs. Cpt. Tolosa said the team is interested in a dialog on the role they may play in a major disaster or times when they may be of assistance to the city's emergency response needs. He noted their skills and abilities are in search and rescue – they have medical skills, can assist with swift water rescue in a flooding situation. In some situations, their skills are similar and complimentary to the mission of the Fire Department and Sheriff's Department. It was noted that the 'routine' and traditional services performed by the Team are well integrated into the existing public safety agencies – there is a good working relationship and things are going well. The focus is expanding somewhat the role of the Team to help with flatland issues or city emergencies and disasters. Commissioners noted that the discussion starts with an awareness of the abilities and skills of the Team and then to see how those abilities can be of assistance in emergency response. Captain Tolosa provided an overview and summary of Team activities for the Commission. The consensus was to continue exploring how the Search and Rescue Team could be of more effective assistance to the public safety needs of the city.
- V. Public Safety Commission Holiday 'Meals on Wheels' event December 14, 2010 feedback.

Commissioners and station personnel felt that the arrangement went well, and that we should continue with that format in the future.

VI. Reports from Staff

City Manager Michaelis provided an update on various city projects of interest. Captain Hartshorne provided a general update on Department activities. Lt. Roxanna Hart and John Hart will be retiring in March. The process to select a replacement Captain will begin soon.

VII. Reports from Commissioners

Commissioner Curtis reported that she attended a CAC meeting with Lt. Robles recently. Commissioner Nash asked about precautions to ensure safety in public meetings and for public officials.

Commissioner McCants expressed appreciation for the Fire Department and the way they handle their responsibilities.

Commissioner Ortiz noted the property comprising the south bound on ramp for the 57 Freeway at Covina Blvd. is overgrown.

VIII. Adjournment at 6:52 pm – There will not be a meeting of the Commission until April 19th. The agenda will be an explanation of the Sheriff's Contract and Fire Service arrangement in the city. The meeting will be at city hall at 5:30 pm.