

# MINUTES

CITY OF SAN DIMAS  
 PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
 TUESDAY MAY 19, 2015 5:30 PM  
 SAN DIMAS CITY HALL  
 SAN DIMAS, CA

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Members:**

**Staff/City Representatives - Guests:**

Karol Curtis	Mayor Curt Morris
Alan Nash, Chair	City Council Emmett Badar
Jim McCants	City Manager Blaine Michaelis
Patrick Jones - excused	Duane Harris, San Dimas Station
Dawna Marshall	Andy Berg, San Dimas Station
Roger Therien	Jim Enriquez, LA County Fire
Cheryl Avelar	
Charles McGown	
Vern Van Voorst	
Kevin Burke	
Josh Hibbard	

- 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 March 17, 2015 Minutes – Commissioners absent abstained from approval.
- IV. City Emergency Plan – Personal & Family Preparedness  
 Blaine Michaelis provided an overview of the city’s emergency response structure and plan. He emphasized that the focus of the city and public safety during an emergency focuses on their customary duties and responsibilities – carrying them out in an emergency situation on a prioritized basis. A broad emergency will consume government’s capacity to meet individual needs – therefore the true measurement of emergency preparedness and responsiveness is individual, household and business preparation. Having a plan for self-reliance with shelter, individual needs, and food for a sustained period of time is simply critical for successfully addressing the impact of a significant emergency. He reviewed the principles and elements of self-reliance and encouraged Commissioners to be prepared and to help others be prepared as well.
- V. Overview and discussion of Social Media in Public Safety  
 Lt. Berg outlined the various options currently being used and supported by local public safety agencies. He discussed the details of how these functions can be helpful in the exchange of information with the public. He highlighted the functions of a software application called Nextdoor – which gathers users by a geographic area and establishes the means for them to communicate about their local interests and issues. At times public safety issues are also part of the ‘conversation’. Commissioners were

encouraged to sign up for Nextdoor and consider how it can be beneficial for community safety.

VI. Reports from Staff

Provided during the meeting.

VII. Reports from Commissioners

Commissioner McCants asked about responsibility for the water quality of Puddingstone reservoir in Bonelli Park. LA County has the responsibility.

VIII. Adjournment at 6:50pm - next Commission meeting will be July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015 at City Hall 5:30 pm for a presentation from the Mosquito & Vector Abatement District.