

MINUTES

CITY OF SAN DIMAS
 PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
 TUESDAY SEPT. 15, 2015 5:30 PM
 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
 SAN DIMAS, CA

ATTENDANCE:

Members:

Staff/City Representatives - Guests:

Karol Curtis	Mayor Curt Morris
Alan Nash, Chair	City Council Emmett Badar
Jim McCants, Vice Chair	City Manager Blaine Michaelis
Patrick Jones	Duane Harris, San Dimas Station
Dawna Marshall – absent	Community Action Team Members
Roger Therien	
Cheryl Avelar	
Charles McGown	
Kevin Burke – absent	
Josh Hibbard	
Ryan Vienna	
Gil Gonzales	

- I. Welcome and Call to Order
 Meeting called to order by Chair Nash at 5:35 pm.
- II. Business from the public not on the agenda
- III. Approval of the July 21, 2015 Minutes – Commissioners absent abstained from approval.
- IV. New Commissioners Ryan Vienna and Gil Gonzales introduced.
- V. Presentation – San Dimas Sheriff's Station annual report of the Community Action Team.

Deputy Rosales outlined the purpose and mission of the Community Action Team – noting that they are problem solving oriented, flexible, and available to focus on targeted issues or needs. The made 160 arrests, issued 123 citations, and took 167 reports over the past year. The team assists with search warrants, probation and patrol checks and searches. They work closely with the Detective bureau to assist where needed. They have a lot of contact with the community and interact with the public through the team's participation at events and activities. They also perform public safety services for these events.

Their work hours are flexible allowing them to conduct surveillance on specialized cases. They also focus on monitoring the 40 parolees that live in the city – completing compliance checks as necessary.

The question was asked about the impact of Prop 47 and AB 109 issues. Both are significant issues – lowering the threshold for certain felonies to misdemeanors creates issues with repeat offenders and the ability of law enforcement to remove criminal elements from the community. Reducing the prison population by early release is also having an impact on crime – many times the suspect is an early release. The Sheriff's

Department is collecting statistics on these issues to have confirmed information to then advocate for appropriate changes to the legislation.

The Team also works on homeless issues – working with the city to deal with encampments.

The commission asked if there were any leads on the sandwich shop homicide?

Captain Harris said yes they are working on leads and feel it will be a solvable case.

It was noted that a vacancy on the CAT will soon be filled by Deputy Wayne Countryman in October.

The commission asked what can San Dimas do to assist the Department:

- Have a Customer Only or No Loitering sign installed at the area near Carl's Jr. and Del Taco. Allowing the Deputies to encourage people to move on.
- Keep freeway landscape areas trimmed up to help with transient issues.
- Encourage the public to take precautions – lock things up, do not leave things out in the open, do not have valuables in the car.
- If you see something suspicious – call the Department right away.
- Be secure with your home – close your garage door – try to keep your vehicles in the garage.

Deputy Wade summarized his duties as a School Resource Officer. His primary responsibilities are law enforcement on school campuses; counselor and role model, deter crime, conduct investigations and help support the school's administration. He made 41 arrests, issued 38 citations, and completed 57 reports. Deputy Wade summarized other programs he administers with the students.

The Commission thanked the Deputies for their service and good work.

VI. Reports from Staff

None

VII. Reports from Commissioners

Commissioner Jones expressed an interest in improving/addressing the student pickup system at SDHS

VIII. Adjournment at 7:10 pm - next Commission meeting will be November 17, 2015 at Fire Station 64 5:30 pm.