

Enhanced Law Enforcement District Advisory Committee

January 20th, 2022 6:30 pm
Sheriff's Office Brooks Building Auditorium

I. ROLL CALL:

Present: Dr. Lowe, Mark Wells, Eric Hendricks, Antonio Cabine, Michael Wilson, Nancy Whitley, James Rhodes, Brian VanKleef, Gavin Carpenter,

Absent: Bob Zimmer, Thomas Andrusko,

CCSO staff present: Captain Brad O'Neil, Analyst Sarah Comstock,

Guests: N/A

I. Roll Call (See above)

II. Approval of Agenda / Meeting called to order by Chair Dan Lowe: Motion to approve agenda; Hendricks motions, Wells seconds, all in favor.

III. Public Comment – N/A

IV. Consent Agenda

-Approval of Minutes from N/A (To carry over until next meeting)

V. Old Business:

- N/A

VI. Member Community Reports / Input:

Lowe: Omicron review; Dr. Lowe's neighborhood is having an increase in crime. Stolen packages and car break ins are the most common crimes he is aware of. Would like to see stats to know whether these crimes are actually being reported.

VanKleef: Found out he was seeking to join group and went out to coffee to speak on this.

Carpenter: Sent out summary of meeting to friends and there were good talking points and feedback about drones and bwc was well received.

Cabine: Christmas light vandalism. Light in yards vandalized; he and his wife have seen post about new hires and were very happy to see this news.

Wilson: Homeless issue is getting depressing. Rifle work at Veterans Cemetery and hates to see all this trash and homeless build up.

Rhodes: Nothing to report; light holiday season.

Whitley Package theft witnessed. Reported it. Saw car on River Rd and provide information of license plate to kids/package owners who had package stolen from USPS deliver.

Also had a question – survey by Sheriff – unable to access it so may not have gotten much response. CPT. O'Neil to pass this up the chain of command.

Wells: No updates since last time; Car prowl increase a few streets away was all he heard about.

Hendricks: Pleasant holiday season; nothing to report.

VII. Regional Data:

- A. N/A
- B. Fallen Officer - Line of Duty Death Remembrance – Remarkable increase due to COVID related deaths is ongoing

VIII. Brainstorm:

O'Neil Update: Hiring – Banner year Sheriff wanted 20 but we wanted 30 and we did it. 26 of 30 are still in training. Between 1-5 a month coming out of training through year. This year we want to hire at least 30 and more if possible; hired one already this year. Batch hiring for a streamlined process. 20 interviews today; 10 of 20 went to backgrounds. 17 in background and 3 in conditional offer.

February is a new Recruit recruitment; Laterals are continues quick hires and are being interviewed within 1-2 weeks of hire. They can be utilized 5-6 mos from hire as opposed to Recruits who are 18-24 mos.

July 1- 21 positions are coming into play from levy with 5 detectives and 15 are patrol deputies

COVID – Hit us hard as of late – OHA changing rules sometimes daily. It is a FT job to monitor this. Readiness rate calculated each day with a contingency plan it dips too low. 5 day quarantine is helping as this isn't a large chunk of time.

Hendricks – Academy update request; Cpt O'Neil said now up to one a month where last year it was one every other but recent shutdown has started to bump that back and delay the classes.

Dr. Lowe – Testing question; availability of tests.

Wilson – Asking question re: jail recruitments; Looking to pull bigger number of applicants. Some of beds are still shut down per OHA rules/guidelines.

Cpt. O'Neil: Cam – Beta testing over last month; already paid off with handful out on Patrol; rolled out this month to everybody. Wilson Question: Policy on use of cams; when can be turned off or on. Cpt. believes all policies are available online but not sure if this is updated. Should be public info.

IX. Adjourn (Next Meeting Date) Motion to Adjourn Wilson; Seconded by Whitley

Next Meeting Date – March 17, 2022, 6:30 p.m. at Brooks Auditorium.