



AGENDA

Police Advisory Board	
Date & Time:	Thursday - August 22, 2019 7:00pm
Location:	Sherwood Police Community Room
	20495 SW Borchers Dr., Sherwood, OR

Attendees

P.A.B. Members:	Council Liaison:
Ralph Lohman - Chair	Councilor Kim Young
Diane Foster - Vice Chair	City Staff:
Rich Miller	Jeff Groth - Police Chief
Bob Silverforb	Angie Hass – Executive Assistant
Megan Thornton	
Chris West	
Laurie Zwingli	
Vacant	
Vacant	

<u>Agenda</u>

- 1. Call to Order (Chair)
- 2. Roll Call (Chair/Staff)
- 3. Approval of Minutes (Chair)
- 4. Board Member Announcements (Chair)
- 5. Business (Chair)
 - a. Review and approval of the Traffic Safety Committee draft proposal to present to City Council
- 6. Councilor News
- 7. Staff Report(s)
 - a. Citizens Police Academy Re-Cap
- 8. Citizen Comment
- 9. Adjourn (Chair)



Meeting Minutes



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1. Call to Order

Chair Lohman called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Board Members Present: Chair Ralph Lohman, Vice Chair Diane Foster, Rich Miller, Bob Silverforb and Chris West

Board Members Absent: Megan Thornton and Laurie Zwingli

Staff & City Council Liaison Present: Police Captain Jon Carlson (sitting in for Chief Jeff Groth), Councilor Kim Young and Executive Assistant Angie Hass

3. Approval of Minutes

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Mr. Silverforb moved that the July minutes be approved and Mr. West seconded the motion. All Board Members were in favor.

4. Board Member Announcements

Mr. West shared that the Tri-County Gun Club Member Appreciation Day is scheduled for 9/7 this year. He asked Captain Carlson if the PD was planning on attending this year's event. Captain Carlson stated that he was not aware of the PD being involved this year. He will check with Chief Groth.

Mr. Silverforb stated that at July's meeting he had asked Chief Groth if there was an ordinance regarding parking cars on Sherwood streets that were for sale. He shared an experience he had in a community that he used to live in and how this activity can have a snowball effect. He doesn't think the City of Sherwood wants cars with "For Sale" signs parked along the street in front of Snyder Park. Captain Carlson was pretty sure that there is an ordinance against parking cars, for the purpose of selling, on City streets. Chair Lohman asked what an Officer would do if they came across that situation. Captain Carlson replied that the Officer would contact the owner and educate them. Mr. Silverforb talked of a basketball hoop that was on his street. The PD was informed and an Officer came out and asked the owner to remove it, as there was a City ordinance. He feels that parking cars that are for sale on City streets is even more obtrusive.

Mr. Silverforb commented on the flashing stop signs by Snyder Park. From his observation, it seems that a lot of drivers are not coming to complete stops at that intersection, despite the flashing lights. He said that he recently parked his vehicle in the Snyder Park parking lot to observe vehicles at that intersection and noted that only one out of five stopped. He feels this is potentially dangerous, especially with it getting dark earlier. Chair Lohman stated that after the last meeting, he had been a little more aware of vehicles parked with For Sale signs and noticed more trailers parked on City streets as well. If there's an ordinance for basketball hoops, there probably is for trailers on the roadway. There was a brief discussion regarding the different time frame allowances for trailers parked on the streets depending on the HOA's in a specific neighborhood versus the City ordinance, etc.

Vice Chair Foster agreed that the intersection at Snyder Park is tricky. She is not sure what it is about that intersection, in particular, but a lot of people roll straight through the stop signs. She is especially concerned about kids crossing at that crosswalk. Mr. West shared experiences he's had as well. Captain Carlson stated that Sherwood PD Officers did a traffic detail the previous week at that particular intersection. Chair Lohman asked about the possibility of placing a rumble strip at that location. Captain Carlson stated that he didn't think that would help.

Mr. Miller talked a bit about his experience at the recent Citizens Police Academy and being hand cuffed. Being on the Police Advisory Board has made him become much more aware of what being a Police Officer involves. He is amazed at everything Officers have to keep in mind at all times. Sherwood PD is interested in community policing, but has experienced other officers having more of a serious demeanor. He now has a better understanding of why that might be, now that he realizes everything that an Officer has to be aware of at any given moment. If there was

a way to offer an Academy to high school students, he feels it could be very beneficial as they would learn early on what is all involved in that profession. He stated that the Academy was a good experience on so many levels.

5. Business

a. Review & Approval of the Traffic Safety Committee Draft Proposal to Present to City Council

This topic was tabled until next month's meeting, as Chief Groth's participation is necessary.

6. Councilor News

Councilor Young reported that the Council meetings had been short ones over the summer. They recently had a Work Session with the Parks and Rec Board regarding a proposed YMCA expansion. It is pretty exciting as the expansion would involve moving rooms around, having one entrance for everyone, including the Teen Center, adding an additional pool, just to name a few changes/additions. They will eventually be reaching out to the community for input. The estimated cost for the expansion is expected to be received in a couple weeks. Vice Chair Foster spoke of the pool at the Chehalem Aquatics and Fitness Center in Newberg and how she really liked the layout. Councilor Young thought it sounded nice and said she will have to check it out.

Councilor Young shared that the Skate Park at the YMCA is nearly done. The ribbon cutting is scheduled for 9/14 from 12-2. Everything is done, except for the landscaping, which is due to be completed by 9/14.

There was a Community Construction Open House, hosted by Washington County, the night before at the Sherwood PD. She reported that there was a really good turnout. A lot of questions were answered for folks regarding the Roy Rogers / Tualatin-Sherwood future construction projects.

7. Staff Report(s)

Captain Carlson announced that the 11th Annual 9/11 Commemorative Blood Drive is coming up. Chaplain Parrish is trying to break the previous record and encouraged Board Members to help get the word out.

a. Citizens Police Academy Re-Cap

Chair Lohman thanked Captain Carlson for all he did in putting together the first ever Citizens Police Academy. He stated that it was a great success.

Captain Carlson talked about how the Sherwood PD's Academy was a little different than some others agencies. They tried to have more "hands on" activities which included traffic stop

demonstrations, video scenarios, live scenarios, etc. He felt like it really helped to open participants' eyes to the everyday things Police Officers do. One thing the PD staff did learn after the three days is that they felt there was more they would have liked to have included and will take a look at possible changes. They felt that having just the 12 participants was good and will consider that when scheduling the next one. Captain Carlson felt it was very successful, especially being the first one. They are considering putting together a second one in February, 2020. Councilor Young stated that she hopes to attend the one in February. Chair Lohman encouraged other Police Advisory Board members to attend. He didn't feel it was too physically challenging. Captain Carlson said that it was their hope to make it an experience that everyone could participate in.

Chair Lohman and Mr. Miller had a couple suggestions to help it go a little smoother next time around. Captain Carlson said that one challenge for the Department was being limited on bodies. Mr. Miller suggested doing a co-op with another Department. We help them, they help us.

Mr. Miller stated that presenting to high school students could possibly help with recruitment as well, by exposing them at a younger age to law enforcement.

Mr. Miller said that Irma was so well trained to do so many different things and that she and Corey were amazing. He shared a few things that she did.

Captain Carlson asked Mr. Miller and Chair Lohman to e-mail Chief Groth any suggestions they might have to make future academies better.

8. Citizen Comment

Sherwood PD Volunteer, Nancy Ellingson:

In addition to being a PD volunteer, Ms. Ellingson is also a City volunteer and helps out at Snyder Park. She described a recent incident that occurred one evening. As she approached the parking lot, she observed a vehicle with a broken window. She called the non-emergency Dispatch and Officer Stan Smith responded to the call. She learned a little later that the vehicle belonged to a young mom that had driven there from out of the area to watch a game. One of her children had left a wallet on the back seat that was visible to whoever had broken the window and taken the wallet. She stated that the young boy had worked all summer to save for their trip. As Officer Smith had already left, she gave the vehicle owner the Dispatch number and the name of the officer that had responded. She said she stayed to helped clean up the broken glass. Ms. Ellingson stated that although this type of thing doesn't happen often in Sherwood, if all community members helped each other out, it would go a long way.

Ms. Ellingson also talked about an incident that was announced on national news that day, which involved a New York City Officer. She felt that the situation had been emotionally charged, which resulted in one man dead and the end of a career for a Police Officer. She asked the Police

Advisory Board members to watch the news clip, if they hadn't already seen it. A lot of the members stated that they had already seen it and were aware. She stated that Officers go through these types of things, to some degree, every day.

9. Adjourn (Chair)

With no other business, Chair Lohman asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. West made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Mr. Silverforb. All Board Members voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Approval of Minutes:

Chair Ralph Lohman

Date

Attest:

Angie Hass, Executive Assistant

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