

**City of Lodi Public Safety Committee Meeting
Minutes of 05/04/2021**

1. Call to Order

Chair Hansen called the Public Safety meeting to order at 4:00pm.

Committee members present- Eric Hansen, Nick Strasser.

Committee members excused- Tim Ripp.

Others Present- Mayor Ann Groves-Lloyd, Julie Ostrander, Brenda Ayers, Terry Weter, Wayne Smith, Melissa Randall-O'Neil, & Russ Schaefer (remote).

2. Virtual Etiquette Announcement

Chair Hansen reviewed the virtual etiquette announcement for the meeting.

3. Public Input

There was no public input.

4. Approval of the minutes from February 2nd, 2021

MOTION (Strasser/Hansen) to approve the minutes of the February 2nd, 2021 meeting. Roll call vote taken- Aye (Hansen/Strasser); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

5. Building Permit Monthly Report

The committee reviewed the Lodi Building Permit Summary report provided.

6. ECCJMC Monthly Report

The committee reviewed the 2021 Summary Comparative Monthly Report provided. Strasser asked what the status of the courts were and if they were operating at 100% currently. Smith indicated there was a modified process currently, where law enforcement screens individuals who appear, and asks those individuals if they want to plead, speak to judge or request a trial. Smith also noted trials were not yet in progress for circuit court, but they were expected to start in July. No additional discussion took place.

7. EMS Monthly Report

Schaefer pointed out metrics and statistics of special interest to include division of costs annually by municipality as well as call volume for each municipality. Schaefer also noted billing and run revenue was different for non-residents vs residents (who pay taxes), and an average chute time for calls for service being just over one and a half minutes. A Covid-19 update was provided, and Schaefer indicated Covid-19 protocols were still in place on the ambulance and there were no changes in how they respond to incidents and how they protect patients as well as staff. 99.5% of crew members were now vaccinated and it was decided to bring back in person, in house training. A new stair chair (with a power track and battery powered motor that goes up and down) was now in service. Financials are ¼ of the way into year with the overall expense line currently sitting at 24.6%. There were no unexpected costs other than the 2018 ambulance suspension failure. The pump that failed was covered under warranty, but labor was not.

8. Fire Department Monthly Report

Strasser briefed the committee on calls for service in each municipality and mutual aid calls for service. The new fire engine is moving along in the process with a review of final drawings and specs in May. No discussion took place on financials.

9. Police Department Monthly Report

Smith advised there were roughly just under 500 calls for service in the month of April to include one overdose and two juvenile sex offense incidents. Officer Monson had been assigned as Lodi PD's ICAC officer (internet crimes against children), which is a state-run task force that provides cyber tips and additional training opportunities at no cost. Two officers were set to attend Advanced Interview and Interrogation training. Lodi PD will join other Municipalities and the Sheriff's Department in the BOTS/DOT Seatbelt Grant. Strasser asked if there was any uptick in drug related offenses. Smith indicated there was not, and that traffic had been lower in 2020 due to Covid, but he expected those calls to increase in the next few months. Smith also advised two officers would be attending the Wisconsin Narcotics Association conference with members of the County Task Force and this would put more law enforcement focus back on drug activity. Financials discussed: the asset forfeiture and K9 balance remain unchanged. A public safety expense line item for Covid-19 Supplies showed a 638% over budget amount. This expense was for two UV stand alone light sanitizers that were covered by the Cares Grant and that expense should be offset. There were notable revenue increases for title/registration transactions, fingerprint services and parking citations. Smith noted the increases in revenue were due to the PD being open for those services since March 1st as well as now being fully staffed and able to address parking concerns throughout the City of Lodi.

10. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Approval of Renewal of Retail Alcohol Licenses

Ayers stated that each year background checks were completed on establishments and agents and there was no reason for denial of any renewal of retail alcohol licenses. Strasser asked what the scope of background checks were. Smith stated a criminal history was run, records were checked and compared with each application to ensure that there was no offense that would be cause for denial. **MOTION** (Strasser/Hansen) to recommend to Common Council, approval of renewal of retail alcohol licenses. Roll call vote taken- Aye (Hansen/Strasser); Nay (0). **Motion carried** at 4:23pm.

11. Next Meeting Date and Agenda Items

The next regularly scheduled Public Safety Committee meeting is June 1st, 2021 at 4:00pm. No agenda items requested to be added at this time.

12. Adjourn

MOTION (Strasser/Hansen) to adjourn at 4:24pm. Motion carried.

Minutes taken by Melissa Randall-Oneil, Administrative Assistant, Lodi Police Department

