

## **City of Fort Bragg**

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# Meeting Minutes Public Safety Committee

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

3:00 PM

Via Video Conference

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Meeting Chair Peters opened the meeting at 3:01 PM.

**ROLL CALL** 

Present: 2 - Bernie Norvell and Lindy Peters

#### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**1A.** 22-022 Approve Minutes Of The Public Safety Committee Meeting July 21, 2021

Moved by Chair Peters and seconded by Committee Member Norvell that the minutes be approved as presented.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public Comments made by: Becky Walker, Jennifer Salyer, and Patty Bonuccelli.

### 3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

**3A.** 22-020 Petition for Safety

Chief Naulty opened the discussion by stating that the department is aware of the on going issues at the location. The usual issues are overnight parking, speeders, and people staying after hours. Chief Naulty commented that the officers always respond to the location, but that the problem is not going away.

Committee Member Norvell referred to the petition submitted regarding the placement of a gate but he believes a lot of issues come with installing a gate. He believes that the County should get involved since they own the roadway.

Public Works Director John Smith seconded Norvell's opinion about the gate being more of a problem due to issues like staffing, minimal parking, and no designated area for a turnaround.

Chair Peters recommended placing more proper signage and also placing the radar trailer in order to prevent speeding. Chief Naulty agreed to placing the radar trailer out at the location and also send out more police to patrol the area. Captain O'Neal closed the discussion by stating that the radar trailer will be placed out the location since the radar collects data regarding vehicle amount and speeds. He recommended to the reporting parties to gather vehicle descriptions, and license and forwarding the information to the Police Department in order to attempt contact with responsible parties and educate them of the circumstances.

Public Comments made by: Patty Bonuccelli, and Kristin Nashhour-Azad.

#### 4. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE / STAFF

**4A.** 22-021 Receive Oral Update From Staff on Departmental Activities

Chief Naulty began by thanking City Public Works Department for setting up the barricades on Oak Street and Harold Street to have a safer traffic control. He mentioned how the Tsunami that was expected on Saturday January 15, 2022 was not as anticipated but it was good practice in preparation efforts. He discussed the new police recruits that are in the Academy at the moment and also that in February we should be seeing a new female office join the department.

Captain O'Neal informed the public of the amount of Driving Under the Influence arrests this calendar year which have been 12 in 19 days. Chief Naulty recommends to the public that it is best to call someone else for a ride if you are under the influence and prevent any traffic accidents that can hurt someone or damage property.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Peters adjourned the meeting at 4:06 PM.