



City of Fort Bragg

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Meeting Minutes Public Safety Committee

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

3:00 PM

Town Hall, 363 N. Main Street

AMENDED SPECIAL MEETING

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Chair Peters called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Staff Present: Interim Chief Eric Swift, Commander Jonathan McLaughlin, Administrative Assistant Stephanie Remington.

Presents are Chair Lindy Peters and Councilmember Scott Hockett.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1A. [25-451](#) Approve Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting February 19, 2025

Attachments: [PSCM 2025-02-19.pdf](#)

Chair Peters motions, Councilmember Hockett seconds the motion. Minutes are approved as presented.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public Comments made by:

Megan
Michelle Roberts
Jenny Shattuck
Bernadette Rafanan
Judy Valadao

3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- 3A. [25-450](#) Discussion Regarding Dispatch Services for the Fort Bragg Police Department

Attachments: [City of Ukiah Dispatch- Contract.pdf](#)

Chair Peters introduced talking points on Dispatch Contract Necessity.

Discussion: Chief Swift discussed logistics and statistics of dispatch contract with Ukiah.

Commander McLaughlin discussed cost/operational benefits of outsourcing to Ukiah. Discussion continued about dispatch training given to Fort Bragg dispatchers and reports of distress called going unassigned by dispatch for Police response. A new, entry level program called R.I.M.S. should alleviate some of those concerns.

Public Comment: Elise Cox, Gabriel Maroney, Frank Hartzell, Jenny Shattuck, Chelsea, Judy Martin, and Jacob Patterson.

4. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE / STAFF

Chair Peters discussed the need for E-bike regulations on the coastal trails.

Chief Swift addressed concerns from the public regarding AI flock software. Any AI software the department currently employs is specifically used for vehicle make and plate information when BOLOs are in effect. He reminds the public to apply for or recommend others apply for open positions at the Police department.

Commander McLaughlin reported on upcoming events in the community.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Peters adjourned the meeting at 4:00 PM.