

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA
CONVENED THIS 10TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2014, 6:35 P.M.
FIRE DEPARTMENT E.O.C ROOM, 817 MOUND AVENUE**

ROLLCALL

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mary Urquhart. Present were Commissioners Braun, Chang, Daley, Lieberman, Wing, Councilmember Cacciotti, Fire Captain Paul Riddle, Police Chief Art Miller and Fire Chief James Frawley.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Michael Cacciotti will replace Mayor Marina Khubesian as Council Liaison.

APPROVAL OF
JANUARY 13, 2014
MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from the January 13, 2014 Public Safety Commission meeting were approved. The motion was moved by Commissioner Lieberman and seconded by Commissioner Daley.

LIAISON REPORTS

Councilmember Cacciotti recognized PD for bicycle patrol. Check Before You Burn pamphlets were handed out with discussion of health and environmental danger of wood burning fireplaces. SCAQMD was invited to participate in the annual SPFD/SPPD Open House in September, 2014.

STAFF
COMMUNICATIONS

Fire Chief Frawley stated that he and Police Chief Miller are working on emergency preparedness programs as a team. Police Chief Miller is responsible for the EOC and training staff. Fire Chief Frawley is responsible for CERT. He will provide details and information on CERT programs at the next meeting. Fire Chief Frawley indicated a separate budget is required for emergency management.

Police Chief Miller stated that SPFD, SPPD, a Good Samaritan and the 9 year brother saved the life of a 3 year old toddler who had choked on a grape. Chief Miller invited the Commissioners to attend the press release to recognize the victim's brother for his extraordinary action on Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. in the City Hall Courtyard.

OUTSIDE
COMMUNICATIONS

Rev. Dr. James Steele (Father James) from Mosaic and Paul Dutton, CERT Team Leader from Crescenta Valley were guests. Father James stated he is teaming with Oneonta Congregational Church for a Celebration of Families event on June 6 and 7, 2014 from 8 to 5. Keynote speaker is Dr. Scott from Homeland Security.

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The event will include music, food, yoga and karate demonstrations. The combined goal is to integrate faith based organizations to coordinate CERT, emergency operations and Neighborhood Watch and, in time, extend to the business community. Additional information can be found on website www.mosaiccare.org.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

NEW BUSINESS

NEIGHBORHOOD
WATCH

Commissioner Lieberman asked Police Chief Miller about the business community getting involved in Neighborhood Watch and to include the Kiwanas and young adults for community service hours. Fire Chief Frawley asked the committee to allow he and Police Chief Miller to develop strategies and programs before pursuing this avenue.

SCHOOL PUBLIC
SAFETY

Police Chief Miller stated that last week an Active Shooter presentation was conducted at South Pasadena High School for faculty and staff. The school psychologist was on standby for staff as needed due to the intensity of the information. Additional Active Shooter training is planned on March 10, 2014 for the high school staff and PD/FD.

FIRE DEPARTMENT
STATUS ON POSITIONS

Fire Chief Frawley stated SPFD will operate under a three city command structure and team as one command unit. A slide presentation will be sent out with position assignments. Captain Riddle will train and work with Tracy Perkosky on grant writing. FD will realize a cost savings of approximately \$215K in the 2014/2015 budget year. Commissioner Braun suggested the cost savings be earmarked for the EOC.

CERT TRAINING

Fire Chief Frawley will provide details at the next meeting regarding rollout of CERT timelines and procedures.

RAILROAD CROSSINGS

Police Chief Miller stated that LASO is responsible for the investigation of the fatality that occurred a few weeks ago. He will be meeting with LASO for further discussion of safety measures and procedures. Councilmember Cacciotti asked that future attention to traffic control with barricades be considered on Fremont when there is an event impacting traffic. The committee asked that a LASO representative be invited to a future meeting for Q and A.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chair Urquhart requested election for new officers. Commissioner Lieberman nominated Chair Urquhart for an additional term as chair. She suggested it is appropriate for a new chair to take office. Commissioner Dailey nominated Commissioner Braun for Chair, and Chair Urquhart for Vice-Chair and they both accepted. The vote was unanimous. Commissioner Lieberman moved to accept and Commissioner Chang seconded.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEXT AGENDA

CERT
EOC
School Public Safety
Commissioner Comments

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM, motioned by Chair Urquhart.

Respectfully submitted on
February 12, 2014

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