

The Public Safety Committee for the City of Junction City met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 680 Greenwood Street, Junction City, Oregon.

PRESENT WERE: Councilor Bill DiMarco, Councilor Andrea Ceniga, Administrator Jason Knope, Councilor Rob Stott (Chair), Chief Bob Morris, Sgt. Eric Markell

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stott called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

No changes to the agenda

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved.

4. UPDATE ON TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS

Chief Morris reported that a fair amount of citations continue to be written and that speeds for the most part continue to hold at an acceptable rate. ODOT is continuing to try to get us more overtime grant money above what we have already be awarded.

5. UNIVERSITY OF OREGON DISPATCH UPDATE

Chief Morris reported that things are still going well with the University of Oregon and that they are very pleased. The fees for services became effective the beginning of this month so they are now being billed for services. A draft of the contract should be submitted by U of O before the next meeting. They are still looking at adding the call taking piece to it as well. The contract is being reviewed by their legal department.

6. FY 19-20 Budget Review

Chief Morris reported that there are no changes to the numbers but that the committee can have a second look at it to review it. Councilor Ceniga asked for clarification for page 1 item 6 listed as listed as Other Dispatch Contracts. Chief Morris clarified that item is for anticipatory contracts with fire districts that we are currently engaged with

Councilor Ceniga asked for clarification regarding Police Patrols, item 11 listed as wages. Chief Morris clarified that number included patrol services to include seven officers, not including administration. Councilor Ceniga asked for clarification on item 27 listed as fuel. Administrator Knope clarified that the number is an estimated actual of where we will be. Councilor Ceniga asked for clarification on the police dispatch wages and the number of dispatchers we have.

Chief Morris stated that there are seven full time dispatchers. Councilor Ceniga asked for clarification of Police Administration line 121. Chief Morris clarified that included himself, Sgt. Markell and Theresa's position as the Executive Assistant. Councilor Ceniga asked for clarification of Administrative Charges on line 130. Administrator Knope clarified it is the administrative overhead that applies to all of the cities internal departments.

Councilor DiMarco asked for clarification that the item 160, listed as Contingency is for the whole department. Chief Morris confirmed it is and that he is satisfied that the amount.

7. SURPLUS VEHICLES

Chief Morris reported that the Police Department has a surplus of vehicles that are going to be sold by Public Works through an online auction site they have set up. He is requesting that a resolution be made to council requesting to dispose of the vehicles.

8. JUNCTION CITY RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENT DISPATCH CONTRACT RENEWAL

Administrator Knope reported that the contract expired last year but we are still providing services to them. He has met with the fire chief to see about getting the contract updated. Since the city is now more in the business of contracting dispatch services we are looking at our methodology and how we access different agencies to keep the contract amounts fair and based on size and calls for service volume. Administrator Knope added that it has been a continual pleasure to work with the rural fire department.

9. AGENDA FORECASTER

Councilor Stott suggested the police residency discussion be changed to incentives and compensation since there is no residency program and it seems misleading. Councilor DeMarco stated that there is no residency required at this time but wanted clarification on the employee wellness discussion that was listed on the forecaster and if that is the preferred language or if it is a separate item.

Administrator Knope stated that residency, employee wellness and, incentives are 3 separate items. If the committee does not want to discuss it then the item can be removed but he prefers not to blend it with the other items. It was agreed that there is merit in discussing the topic of residency. Administrator Knope suggested that the item be changed from Police Residency discussion to Incentive Programs Discussion. Staff can reach out to other agencies in the area to see what they do. This will give the committee a starting point for a first look at what it will want to pursue on this topic. The committee agreed to change the title of the discussion.

Councilor Stott requested that an item be added to the agenda regarding the U of O contract & taking calls. A new position / job description review was agreed to be added for the committee to discuss.

10. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Pueschel