



Lowell City Council

Public Safety SC Meeting Minutes

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City Clerk

Date: August 13, 2019
Time: 5:30 PM
Location: City Council Chamber
375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA

PRESENT:

Present on Roll Call were Chairman Nuon, C. Leahy and C. Milinazzo. Also present were Chief Jeff Winward (LFD), C. Elliott and Deputy Supt. Golner (LPD).

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairman Nuon called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM in the Council Chamber and opened discussion regarding LPD and LFD updates.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Dep. Golner commented on the recent break-ins in the Highlands noting the investigations and the results concerning those crimes. Dep. Golner noted the recent community meeting and the topics discussed concerning crime prevention. Dep. Golner noted the current use of cameras and how they have an on-line capability which will assist with crime prevention. Dep. Golner commented on the current opening of the downtown precinct and the positive effect it will have on the neighborhood. C. Nuon questioned recent break-ins in the Highlands. Dep. Golner described the crimes and the police response. C. Nuon commented on use of technology in the department as well as "see something say something" program. Dep. Golner described new specialty vehicles in the department. C. Milinazzo commented on the school resource officer program. Dep. Golner described the staffing for the program and how it operates. C. Milinazzo questioned relationship of the LPD with UML and National Parks. Dep. Golner described the relationships has very positive and improving. C. Nuon questioned use of resource officers at Lowell High School. C. Leahy commented on downtown patrols and week-end visibility of the LPD. Dep. Golner outlined procedures for downtown patrol. Chief Winward commented fires during the summer months and the LFD response as well as updates to equipment. C. Leahy questioned time frame for getting new apparatus as well as retro fitting houses to store new engines. C. Milinazzo questioned use of the Oakland Fire House. Chief Winward noted that a lot of training of firefighters takes place at that location. C. Milinazzo questioned number of



positions at LPD and LFD. Chief Winward and Dep. Golner outlined number of personnel in each department. C. Elliott questioned current police academy. Dep. Golner noted number in the academy and when it would finish.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn by C. Milinazzo, seconded by C. Leahy. So Voted.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM

Michael Geary, City Clerk