

Public Safety Advisory Commission
Wednesday, February 8, 2012
Fire Training Center
Minutes

Attendance

Sharon Chamard, Chair
Ray Faust, Vice Chair
David Moore
Mike Nolan
Bob Roses
Kim Castle
Loren Leman

Absent and Excused

Morry Hollowell

Staff

DC John Drozdowski, Anchorage Fire Department
DC Steve Hebbe, Anchorage Police Department
Dawn Brantley, Office of Emergency Management

Meeting called to order at 6:02 p.m.

- 1) Approval of Agenda
 - a) Moved, seconded and approved
- 2) Approval of minutes for December 14, 2011
 - a) Corrected spelling
 - b) Moved, seconded and approved
- 3) Reports
 - a) Office of Emergency Management
 - i. Alaska Shield
 1. EOC will be in full activation February 8th and 9th
 2. Lessons learned:
 - Not enough equipment (bariatric and special need cots, wheel chairs and walkers) to support functional needs and shelters.
 - The After-Action Report will include the need for additional equipment
 3. DHHS and EOC have placed orders for some equipment.
 4. Compiled a list of durable equipment located within the municipality and working with local agencies to determine available equipment during a disaster.
 5. Focus on durable medical equipment versus consumable medical equipment.

- 6. Anchor RIDES and trained volunteers will assist evacuating functional need individuals with their consumable medical equipment.
 - 7. Disaster Registry currently going through legal review
 - 8. Will conduct a campaign informing people with functional or communication needs on emergency preparedness and what to bring to the shelter.
 - 9. Working with Access AK if their PCAs (Personal Care Assistants) are required to stay with their clients during a disaster.
- ii. Bob Rose recommended EOC submit their request for emergency equipment prior to the Alaska Legislature adjournment, April 2012.
 - iii. Monthly Community Outreach Brown Bag lunches
 - 1. Conducting earthquake preparedness at preschool and elementary schools

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b) Anchorage Fire Department

- i. BC Brian Keene sitting in for DC John Drozdowski
- ii. Plans for fire stations 3 & 9 are progressing and DC Drozdowski will present a formal presentation at next month's meeting
- iii. Due to heavy snowfall several hydrants throughout the Municipality are buried; AWWU has a dig-out plan posted on their website. AFD line personnel are also digging out hydrants.
- iv. Chief Hall & DC Drozdowski just returned from Juneau lobbying for land acquisition for expansions, replacement apparatus and furniture and lights for the Dispatch Center.
- v. In the upcoming election, April 2012, AFD will have a bond for two new MICUs (Mobil Intensive Care Units) on the ballot.
- vi. AFD received the package for the Yellow Dot Program.
 - 1. Participants of the program will receive a yellow dot decal place on the rear windshield of their vehicle. During an emergency the decal alerts the first responder of the individual's medical information located in the glove compartment.
 - 2. APD Chief Mew and AFD Chief Hall will hold a Yellow Dot press conference later this week.
 - 3. People can register for the program at AFD stations.

c) Anchorage Police Department

- i. Assisted Living Homes
 - 1. Lieutenant Gilliam met with the State of Alaska Licensing Division to discuss and provide information pertaining to reoccurring calls for missing person(s).
 - 2. The licensing division was very receptive and the two agencies will continue to work together.
- ii. Prescription Drug Off Program
 - 1. The program received a significant amount of interest.
 - 2. The current law only allows law enforcement agencies to host a drop box, therefore APD will buy back DHHS' box. The 3rd box was donated to UAA's (University of Alaska Anchorage) Police Department.

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iii. PERF Report

1. FTO (Field Training Officer) program

- The current academy will continue to use the Kaminsky FTO Program, but with modifications focusing on problem solving and community policing.
- The modified FTO program required all previous FTOs to reapply.
- APD will research and review other FTO programs after the academy's graduation.
- The new FTO class will be announced next week.

2. Early Intervention Program

- Law enforcement agencies recognize a small percentage of officers are responsible for a disproportionate share of complaints. Additional research revealed the small percentage included FTOs.
- APD is in the process of revamping their software to store a variety of data and the ability to extract specific statistical information. The information will help identifying officers who may require early intervention.
- APD sergeants will adopt a counseling role to recognize problems early and provide intervention to prevent serious disciplinary problems.

3. The result of the PERF Report

- View police work differently, with change starting at the top.
- How to react and not just response to calls.
- Increase communication between patrol and the detectives.
- Use intelligence to be proactive.

iv. Chief Mew presented the two current programs to the legislature

1. 0 for 12 Campaign

- Campaign goal for 0 alcohol fatalities in 2012
- APD implemented a traffic unit and emphasized DUI enforcement.
- Alcohol-related fatalities have significantly decreased over the past 10 years

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2. Burglary/Robbery Arrest versus Drug Offensives

- APD is focusing more on street-level criminals and not always "trading up" for higher-level criminals. The "trading up" method allowed some street-level criminals to remain on the street.
- The new focus revealed a connection between declining numbers of burglary/robbery when street-level criminals were arrested and not "traded up".

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v. Cheese Heroin

1. APD is not hearing much about cheese heroin in the Anchorage area, but will email members a PowerPoint presentation pertaining to cheese heroin.
2. Cheese heroin is black tar heroin mixed with crushed Tylenol PM. The drug is cheap and easy to conceal.
3. Ray Faust comments:
 - While working in loss prevention he experienced a rash of Dramamine, cough medicine and Tylenol PM stolen; two ingredients used to make cheese heroin

4. Kim Castle Comments

- The Eagle River area has not experience a rash of Dramamine or Tylenol PM stolen. Most stolen cough medicine is consumed in the parking lot.

4) Old Business

- a) Mike Nolan completed the “PSAC Official Resolution against Fireworks” draft.

5) New Business

- a) No new business

6) Meeting adjourn at 7:49pm

- a) Next meeting is Wednesday, March 14, 2012.