

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting of March 19, 2012

The Public Safety and Justice Committee met Monday, March 19, 2011, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. in the City Hall Conference Room, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 425 East Dewey Avenue, Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

Members Present: Alan Jones, Chairman
John Anderson
Reg Green
Theresa Jones

Staff Present: Danni Whitehouse, Fire Chief
Rick Rumsey, Police Chief
John Waytula, Park Director
Tom DeArman, City Manager
Pam Vann, Finance Director
Shelley Crayton, Acting Secretary

Guests: None

Motion made by Councilor T. Jones to approve minutes from Public Safety and Justice Meeting dated September 19, 2011, 2nd Councilor Anderson. Vote 4-0

A. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAPULPA, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING PART 10, OF THE SAPULPA CITY CODE REGARDING THE SALE OF FIREWORKS PERMIT TO CITIZENS.

Chief Whitehouse stated that 10/11 revenue from firework permits was approximately \$ 3,100.00. That does not even cover the man-hours to deliver the permits. Permits are starting to be delivered as early as June 1st. Chief Rumsey stated that regardless if the permits were sold or not his department would still be responding to all calls related to firework discharges. One suggestion could be to make the ordinance stricter for citizens such as time limits (lesser days/hours), but would put more work on police and fire. Chief Rumsey and Chief Whitehouse recommend repealing the fireworks ordinance.

Motion was made to recommend ordinance that bans sell of firework permits to citizens inside city limits. Vote 2-2. No recommendation made for council.

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B. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE PURCHASE AND USE OF A BLACKBOARD CONNECT SYSTEM.

Chief Rumsey said that they had received numerous complaints that the storm sirens cannot be heard in the middle of the night by citizens. He explained that storm sirens are only meant to warn people that are out in the weather that there is a need to take cover. The Black Board Connect System would allow citizens to register with the city their vital information such as their cell, home, work telephone numbers and email addresses to be mass notified of an upcoming storm event. This system would also allow city employees to create notifications relating to water/sewer outages, court/warrant reminders, lost children/elderly and suspicious persons in neighborhoods. There is no cost to the citizens to register for this program.

Motion made by Councilor T. Jones to recommend the purchase and use and the Black Board System and recommend to council. 2nd Councilor Green. Vote 4-0

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to consider, Councilor T. Jones made motion to adjourn with 2nd from Councilor Green. Vote 4-0