

**Kingsburg Public Safety Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2016**

Call to order by Chair: Chairman Ben Creighton called the Kingsburg Public Safety Committee Meeting to order at 4:01pm.

Members present: Ben Creighton, Judy Pagel, Shawn Marshall, Lennis Scheline, Conni Delinger, Joey Frankmore.

Members absent: Chamber of Commerce representative, Mark Bray, High School representative

Staff Present: City Manager Alex Henderson, Police Chief Dadian, Police Sgt. Pendley, Police Detective Mejia and City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard

Public Comments:

None.

Approve minutes: A motion was made by Judy Pagel, seconded by Lennis Scheline, to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2016 Public Safety Committee meeting as prepared by City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard. The motion carried by a voice vote of all members present.

Public Safety Fee in the form a Community Facilities District

City Manager Alex Henderson presented information regarding the City's options for public safety funding. He said during dispatch discussions the public discussed that they would pay for more officers, and so the Finance Committee started to discuss the CFD option. It hasn't been brought it in front of council yet. Mr. Henderson discussed fire department and police department staffing. It would cost \$290,000 for 3 new firefighters. The City brings in about a \$1,000,000 in sales tax so it would have to go up by 33% to support 3 new firefighters. The Finance Committee took that information in to consideration and started to discuss a partial tax. It can be based on how much your home is worth. A more equity route would be a flat rate for every parcel. Spoke about \$220-250 a year level. Partial tax is more reliable. The Finance Committee is asking for input.

Chairman Creighton asked for clarification regarding if the people voting would be property owners or registered voters. The City Manager answered it would be registered voters.

Commissioner Pagel discussed Prop 13.

City Manager Henderson said it would be a mail in ballot, with 66% needed to pass.

Chairman Creighton asked about the timetable. City Manager Henderson said if we move forward we will have the election in late April. The cost is capped at \$70,000. They discussed how to get the public

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excited about the CFD. He said we have to have both associations on board, they will have to get out there and let the public know about the benefit.

Commissioner Pagel said we would have to make it clear, transparent, simple and brief. City Manager Henderson agreed that if it passes we would have an oversight committee.

It was discussed that the percentage of owner occupied in Kingsburg is 67% and that it is higher than most cities.

Commissioner Scheline said he sees the negative that both departments are doing such a great job and everything looks good to the general citizen.

Commissioner Delinger said she would rather be proactive than reactive. Our population is getting older and we don't want to wait till it is too late.

The Committee discussed how to support the CFD and how to get the public aware of it.

Every 15 Minutes

The Committee decided due to the time table and the cost to postpone Every 15 Minutes to a later date.

Other Business

Chairman Creighton discussed the change in personnel after the election

Commissioner Scheline introduced Detective Mejia and spoke about cameras as a future project.

Meeting Adjourned: The Public Safety Meeting was adjourned at 4:50pm to the next meeting on October 11, 2016.