

KINGSBURG PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 25, 2020

Call to order by Chair: Chairman Palomar called the meeting to order at 4:04pm.

Members present: Fred Ray, Vincent Latham, Brandon Pursell Jr., Shawn Marshall, Thom Sembritzki and Chairman Vince Palomar.

Members Absent: Lennis Scheline, Kenny Crab, and Jim McGuire.

Staff present: City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard and Police Chief Neil Dadian

Public Comments: None.

Approve minutes: Member Pursell motioned, seconded by Member Ray to approve the minutes from the December 10, 2019 Public Safety Committee meeting as prepared by City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote by all members present.

Crosswalk Painting Discussion: Chairman Palomar discussed the background of the Committee wanting to paint crosswalks around schools. Member Sembritzki motioned, seconded by Member Pursell to have crosswalks by Roosevelt School, Reagan School, Stroud & 10th, and Kern & 6th painted. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote by all members present.

Camera Discussion- Chairman Palomar said we should have funds left over after the crosswalks. He asked Police Chief Dadian if there are any cameras. Chief Dadian said yes, he wants to improve cameras at the PD, wants line painted for a safe exchange for child custody or online sales. He will be able to get that accomplished with grant funds. He would like a robust video policing with camera in the City in parks and play grounds, commercial areas and downtown area. There are cameras at the pool and at Memorial Park. Chief Dadian said he would like to expand with comprehensive approach, maybe tie into the Sheriff's Department. Member Pursell said he thinks it is important for policing. It matters for crime prevention by deterring criminals. Our funds this year might not get a camera this year but it will start with the infrastructure. Our funds will also assist with grant applications. The police Department can come up the specifics of the project. Chief Dadian said he has already started with some of the infrastructure. He said the police is able to makes a lot of cases off of Rings and home security systems. Member Sembritzki said he uses cameras at the High School and it is very helpful. Chairman Palomar said not only are they a deterrent, they help solve crimes.

Charlie Soto, resident, supports cameras.

Chairman Palomar said he believes the citizens would benefit from this, they do not want crime here. Member Pursell said he will work with Chief Dadian and report back. Member Ray said there has been a number of burglaries where he lives, citizens in the housing development would pay for a camera.

Other Business: None.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned to the next meeting, as decided by the Committee, at 4:36pm.