

## LEWISVILLE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

April 5, 2022

Town Hall 1<sup>st</sup> Floor – 6510 Shallowford Road

- I. **Call to Order** - Chair Cobert called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. In attendance were Harlan Cobert, Chris Cobert, Dale Harriman, Aaron Hutmacher, Warren McMahan, Scott Sewell, Town Manager Hank Perkins, Deputy Bodenheimer and Lewisville Assistant Fire Chief Steve Williams. Vienna Fire Chief Tim Lasley was not in attendance.
- II. **Agenda Approval** – Dale Harriman moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Chris Cobert and approved unanimously.
- III. **Minutes Approval** – Dale Harriman moved to approve the March 1, 2022 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Aaron Hutmacher and approved unanimously.
- IV. **Public Safety Reports**
  - a. Forsyth County Sheriff's Office – Deputy Bodenheimer gave the February 2022 call statistics which are close to last year's statistics.
  - b. Lewisville Fire Department – Deputy Chief Williams gave the February 2022 call update and 2022 first quarter statistics. The West Forsyth firefighter program begins with the 2022-2023 school year, which could potentially feed new personnel into area fire departments. Students who begin the program their freshman year can attain all but a couple of firefighter certification courses that require entering a burning structure by graduation.
  - c. Vienna Fire Department – No report.
- V. **Guests** – None
- VI. **Old Business**
  - a. CERT Program Review – The committee has begun promoting the CERT training via social media posts and visiting HOAs. More than twenty-seven boxes of handouts, manuals and other materials will be available for the June course. Committee members were encouraged to enroll in the course. Committee members were requested to determine the neighborhoods they will canvas. Materials for the committee members to distribute will be available at Town Hall. Council will consider amending the budget this week to purchase CERT backpacks. Public Safety has requested the upcoming budget be increased as well to cover the expenditure once again next year. Should enough interest be received, a teen CERT course may be held for ages 14-18.
  - b. Traffic Safety Initiative – Seat belt usage, child safety seats and navigating traffic circles will be a joint initiative of the committee, Town and fire departments. The event will showcase firefighting equipment, the NCSHP seat belt trailer and traffic safety information, hopefully, at Shallowford Square after the CERT course and before school begins.
  - c. Emergency Operations Plan – The committee is still awaiting Forsyth County's final plan. Once this is done, Chair Cobert will update the Town's plan accordingly. The proposed updates will be presented to Council for their approval. After approval, a tabletop exercise and real time exercises will be given.
- VII. **New Business** - None
- VIII. **For the Good of the Order**
  - a. Mr. McMahan will provide CERT information for Lewisville Connect.
  - b. Manager Perkins will assist in directing the CERT information to appropriate Town social media platforms.

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- c. Committee members are to email Chair Cobert regarding what neighborhoods they will canvas to promote the CERT course.
  - d. CERT information will be distributed at the May 6 movie night and *Extreme Summer Heat* handouts distributed at May 30<sup>th</sup> military appreciation event.
  - e. Online ICS courses 700, 800, 100, 200 (taken in this order) are available.
  - f. Purpose and mission of the committee was discussed for benefit of new members.
  - g. Next scheduled meeting is **May 3, 2022**.
- IX. **Adjournment** – Chris Cobert moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM. The motion was seconded by Dale Harriman and motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

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Harlan Cobert, Chair

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Dora K. Moore, Town Clerk