

LEWISVILLE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

October 3, 2023

Town Hall Conference Room #201

- I. **Call to Order** - Chair Cobert called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. In attendance were Harlan Cobert, Robert Fitzpatrick, Aaron Hutmacher, Warren McMahan, Veronica Thomas, Fire Chief Darin Needham, Fire Chief Tim Lasley, Town Clerk Dora Moore and Public Works Director Jon Hanna. Chris Cobert, Matthew O'Connor, and Annemarie Stanford were absent. Guests were Assistant Fire Chief David Kivett and Lily Lough.
- II. **Agenda Approval** – Robert Fitzpatrick moved to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Warren McMahan and motion was approved unanimously.
- III. **Minutes Approval** – Aaron Hutmacher moved to approve the June 6, 2023 minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by Robert Fitzpatrick and motion was approved unanimously.
- IV. **Public Safety Reports**
 - A. Forsyth County Sheriff's Office – None
 - B. Lewisville Fire Department – Chief Needham shared current year-to-date stats. Forsyth County changed dispatch protocols in July which has increased calls some. Chief Needham noted his department has done some administrative restructuring by eliminating the office manager role and hiring a fulltime assistant chief who will handle finance and logistics. A FEMA/SAFER grant of \$250,000 over the next four years is earmarked for a recruitment/retention coordinator. This position will be filled as a promotion from within the department.
 - C. Vienna Fire Department – Chief Lasley shared current year-to-date stats. It is hoped the new 3,000 gallon Freightliner tanker will be in service soon and it will respond to the rural water districts. Over the weekend, both fire departments assisted with Tour de Lewisville and experienced no issues.
- V. **Old Business**
 - A. Emergency Operations Plan – An update will be given at the November meeting.
- VI. **New Business**
 - A. 2024 Plan of Work – Chair Cobert requested the committee to review the current Plan of Work (POW) and be prepared to share ideas at the November meeting for the 2024 POW.
- VII. **Clerk Report**
 - A. The Lewisville Civic Club is hosting a Candidate Forum on October 19 at 7:30 PM at Town Hall. Municipal elections are November 7.
- VIII. **For the Good of the Order**
 - A. National Night Out was a huge success.
 - B. Eighteen people have registered for the CERT class to be held this weekend at MAWCC.
 - C. FEMA and FCC will conduct a nationwide alert test around 2:20 PM on October 4.
 - D. No December meeting.

IX. **Adjournment** – Aaron Hutmacher moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 PM. The motion was seconded by Warren McMahan and approved unanimously.

ATTEST:

Harlan Cobert, Chair

Dora K. Moore, Town Clerk