



**Sumner City Council
Public Safety Committee
Minutes of the April 19, 2023, Meeting**

Members present: Barbara Bitetto (Chair), Pat Cole, and Charla Neuman

Staff present: Chief Brad Moericke and Chief Jon Parkinson

Others present: None.

Meeting called to order at 5:31 pm

I) Monthly Activity Reports & Department Updates – Fire, Chief Parkinson

Chief Parkinson provided his monthly report to committee members to include calls for service by station, by apparatus, call response times by service area and mutual aid.

Chief Parkinson provided the committee with the following department updates:

Chief Parkinson will be presenting to the City Council on Monday April 24th with the 2022 annual update. Station Construction is progressing, and Station 118 in Edgewood is near completion. Recruitment for our fall academy class is underway. We expect to hire 10 personnel. They will hit the street in early 2024. Sumner Medic 113 is now in service with a new color scheme and logos.

II) Monthly Activity Reports & Department Updates – Police, Chief Moericke

Chief Moericke discussed with the committee department statistics for March 2023. Overall activity levels were relatively flat and in-line with normal month-to-month activity.

Chief Moericke provided the committee members with an update on current staffing and personnel as well as some recruiting and staffing plans. Applications for the 2023 Citizen's Academy have been open for the past 6 weeks and to date the city has only had 7 approved applicants. Given our current staffing challenges and the possibility of additional staffing needs, Chief Moericke made the very difficult decision to cancel the Citizen's Academy for 2023 and will try to coordinate a 2024 Academy.

III) Action Items:

None

IV) Discussion Items:

None

V) Adjourn – Meeting adjourned by the Chair at 6:01 pm.

Next meeting will be May 17, 2023, at 5:30 in the First Floor Conference Room at City Hall or remotely via Teams.