



**MINUTES
CITY OF LAUREL
EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2022**

The Emergency Services Committee meeting was called to order at 6:00pm on Monday, September 26, 2022 by Chair Heidi Sparks

Members Present: Heidi Sparks- Chair, Irv Wilke- Vice Chair, Richard Klose, Jamie Swecker, Jim Irwin, Bruce McGee

Others Present: Police Chief Stan Langve, Ambulance Director Lyndy Gurchiek

Public Input: None

General Items

1. Approval of Emergency Services Committee minutes of August 22, 2022. Irv Wilke moved to approve the minutes; Richard Klose seconded- Motion carried 6-0

New Business

2. Update from Emergency Departments
 - a. Police Department Chief Langve- - Report attached
 - i. Items to note:
 1. Calls for Service can include Fire and Ambulance service as well where police are involved, so that is the difference between call for service versus crimes reported
 2. Dispatch is currently short-staffed due to employees out for various reasons
 3. Council Member Sparks asked about the increase of Nitazene, news article from last week. Chief Langve stated we have not started seeing this yet, but it is most likely a matter of time
 - b. Ambulance Director Lyndy Gurchiek – Report attached
 - i. Items to note:
 1. Numbers don't look super busy, but the month was busy with volunteers and staff out on vacations
 2. Seems like multiple calls at same time has increased
 3. Director Gurchiek will be meeting with the City Attorney this week to determine what options we have to help with funding
 4. Looking at more community outreach classes including Stop the Bleed

Old Business

3. Traffic Study of Main St - Chief Langve was able to research past information related to this topic. Provided previous letters and minutes from Council Meetings in 2020 to Mayor Waggoner. This included the information from the state on the next steps to request and have a traffic study completed. The mayor stated he will take the information and follow up with that. Chief Langve said he will continue to follow up with this issue so the state can get the traffic

study completed. This study will include both a speed limit study as well as look at the need for a light at Main and 5th.

Other Items: None

Announcements

8. Next Meeting will be Monday, October 24, 2022, at 6:00pm in Council Chambers

Meeting adjourned at 6:52pm