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**NOME PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 06, 2023 at 6:00 PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN CITY HALL**

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ADJOURNMENT



1/31/2023

## Public Safety Advisory Commission

### *Election of Officials*

#### Nome Code of Ordinances 2.30.040(f) – Meeting Frequency

Five appointed members of the commission constitute a quorum for the conduct of business. The commission shall meet quarterly and at such other times as directed by the city council. The commission is subject to the Open Meetings Act, AS [44.62.310](#).

TO: Mayor and Common Council

FROM: Glenn Steckman

RE: City Manager's report

January 19, 2023

**Quarterly Reports:**

Attached to my report are the quarterly reports from department employees. Despite challenging times, I continue to applaud them for a job well-done. Ambulance and NPD numbers are down. Finance numbers are looking good; especially revenue.

**Public Safety:**

Ambulance and police calls are down. The average nightly attendance at NEST has been 27 people. Calls for assistance to the shelter have been limited to only six since the shelter reopened this fall. This year NEST staff have been through extensive training on how to calm clients and de-escalate tense situations.

**COVID:**

The city has 91 active cases of COVID as of Friday. This is the highest active number of cases seen in months in Nome. Several city employees have also been diagnosed this past week with COVID. The city is still distributing facemasks to the public that want facemasks. Facemasks are available at City Hall, the Rec Center and the Library.

**Rabies:**

This past week a fox attacked and bit a child in Nome. Fortunately, people who witnessed the attack, killed the fox which allowed quick testing for rabies. Unfortunately, the fox tested positive. The city is working with Norton Sound Hospital to create awareness of the situation and to get pets vaccinated and walked on leashes.

**Iditarod:**

Local planning is underway for the Iditarod. Efforts are being made to locate more housing for the visitors due the temporary closure of the Nugget Inn. I have also requested the library to create additional children programming and to have movies shown relating to children and dogs. The museum is planning adult programming and Iditarod displays. The museum will also be open on Sunday March 12.

**Kawerak Leadership Summit:**

A well-attended Kawerak Leadership Summit was held to discuss issues around employment, housing and infrastructure issues. The Mayor and I attended as representatives from the City of Nome to hear the concerns and needs our local tribal governments, small cities and native corporations.

**Employment Summit:**

The Nome Employment Summit was added to the Kawerak Leadership Summit as a standalone meeting with many participants attending both. While there was a lot of focus on the port expansion and employment opportunities and housing needs, I believe that the Nome School District, the Being Straits School District, the leadership of AMCC and Seaside plus the homeless organizations need to be more involved on current employment issues.

As part of the discussions at the summit, it was agreed mentorships and having in-class visits from professionals in current fields of employment should start earlier than high school. The goal is get our young people to start thinking of their future as early as grade school.

**Nome Recreation Center:**

Staff met this week with RSA and Bristol Engineering to discuss the proposed heating and ventilation improvements at the Rec Center. Discussions include placing the generator into a self-starting standby mode.

**Nome Visitor Center:**

Renovations continue on the building. Before you on Monday night is a request to install two Toyo heaters to replace the current forced air system. The goal is to have better heat in the building and to lower energy costs. The purchase of office furniture and displays are next.

**Mini Improvements:**

After hosting the Kawerak Summit and the Employment Summit, a number of people expressed their approval of the improvements to the facility. Additional cabinets behind the bar still need to be installed. And, a request of additional monitors be installed to see presentations was suggested.

**Request to hire FT Building Maintenance Employee:**

I am requesting approval from you to hire a temporary employee to full-time status. This will increase the number of FT employees with the Building Maintenance Division by one. It will also allow the city to continue to perform a number of improvements to our buildings and save money by using staff.

**Radio System review:**

City staff is asking you approve hiring a consultant at your meeting on Monday night to determine what needs to be addressed in our 911 Center and its ability to communicate with those responding to emergency calls. The consultant will help determine what software and hardware issues may need to be addressed because of disruptions to municipal radio transmissions. Once this process is completed, another RFP will be issued to address these findings.



# City of Nome Police Department

Michael Heintzelman  
Chief of Police

4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Statistical Report  
October - December 2022

## General patrol statistics

Total Calls for Service counting keep check patrols: 2218

Of which Alcohol Related: 638 (28%)

- See Appendix A of all Call types.

*Year to date Calls for Service Total: 10,464*

Total Arrests: 126

Alcohol Related: 102 (80%)

Total Charges: **298**

Total Citations: 34

- Includes all, such as MCA, traffic, NCO, etc.

Total Incidents (Reports): 196

Total Intoxicated Person's calls: 102

Total Ambulance Requests: 164

Total Fire Department Response: 17

## Dispatch Statistics

911 calls - 280

Non-emergency calls 922

## Personnel

CO I, Jennifer Johnson hired part time.

CO I, Alex Thomson hired from the port.

PO II Cordell Murray resigned

CO Supervisor Taelor Rivas resigned.

CO II Autumn Day-Tocktoo resigned.

CO II Jeremiah Angusuc promoted to acting CO Supervisor.

## Vacancies

(4) Police Officer Spots

(4) Communications Officer

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**Vehicles**

2004 302 – Old CSO Van

Good condition

2005 290 – CSO Chevy Astro Van

Fair condition

2021 679 – Ford Expedition

Good condition.

2022 New Ford Expedition

New condition

2022 New Ford Expedition

New condition

2016 321 – Silver unmarked Explorer

Good condition.

2016 322 – Black Explorer

Fair condition.

2016 323 – White Explorer

Fair condition

2019 885 – F-150

Good condition

2019 887 – F-150

Good condition

2021 978 - F-150

New condition

2003 Blue Chevy Silverado

Fair condition

2021 Can Am Side by Side ATV 800

Good condition.

**EQUIPMENT**

Camera expansion project is on track. Cameras have been installed. Some pending work to be done with the access door reader expansion.

**INVESTIGATIONS**

2022 total sexual assault cases

59 total

54 closed

5 open.

**RADIO PROJECT**

Radio project is pending a bid acceptance of the first phase of re-working the system.

## ACCREDITATION

Around 60 chapters have been amended or added and going through the approval process for implementation. Starting steps in the Nome 911 Center for accreditation as well. Steady progress is being made.

## APPENDIX A

### Calls For Service Totals By Call Type

10/01/2022 to 12/31/2022

| Call Type                               | Totals |
|---|--------|
| 03 Alarm                                | 50     |
| 04 Ambulance Request                    | 88     |
| 05 Animal Related Offense/Complaint     | 25     |
| 06 Assault - Misdemeanor                | 49     |
| 061 Assault - Felony                    | 7      |
| 07 Agency Assist                        | 75     |
| 08 Public Assist                        | 51     |
| 09 Burglary                             | 1      |
| 11 Court Document Service               | 50     |
| 110 Community Policing                  | 1      |
| 13 Curfew Violation                     | 3      |
| 15 Death Investigation                  | 3      |
| 16 Disorderly Conduct                   | 45     |
| 17 Disturbance                          | 67     |
| 171 Domestic Violence Offense           | 20     |
| 172 Family Offense - non criminal       | 4      |
| 18 Drug Offense/Information             | 7      |
| 19 DUI                                  | 2      |
| 19A DUI - CITizen Report/REDDI          | 15     |
| 20 Intoxicated Person                   | 102    |
| 211 Felony - Other                      | 1      |
| 23 Fire Department Response             | 5      |
| 231 Foot Patrol                         | 5      |
| 24 Forgery                              | 1      |
| 25 Found Property                       | 1      |
| 26 Harassment                           | 10     |
| 28 Information                          | 113    |
| 29 Alcohol Violation (AS 04 violations) | 3      |
| 2999 Criminal Mischief                  | 14     |
| 311 Minor in Possession of Tobacco      | 1      |
| 32 Misdemeanor - other                  | 3      |
| 33 Missing Person                       | 4      |
| 34 MVA Damage (MVA=motor vehicle...     | 10     |
| 35 MVA Injury                           | 1      |
| 36 Minor Consuming Alcohol              | 13     |
| 38 Open Container - Public              | 4      |
| 390 Protective Services Report (PSR)    | 4      |

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**Calls For Service Totals By Call Type**

10/01/2022 to 12/31/2022

| Call Type                        |                                 | Totals      |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| 43                               | Runaway                         | 2           |
| 44                               | Search & Rescue                 | 4           |
| 45                               | Security Check                  | 886         |
| 46                               | Sexual Assault                  | 4           |
| 460                              | Sexual Abuse                    | 2           |
| 49                               | Suicide Threat                  | 12          |
| 50                               | Suicide Attempt                 | 6           |
| 53                               | Suspicious Person / Activity    | 8           |
| 55                               | Theft Money                     | 2           |
| 56                               | Theft Property                  | 7           |
| 57                               | Theft Vehicle                   | 6           |
| 58                               | Traffic/ Stop                   | 64          |
| 60                               | Trespass                        | 158         |
| 62                               | Unsecured Premises              | 3           |
| 63                               | Violate Conditions of Probation | 8           |
| 64                               | Violate Conditions of Release   | 24          |
| 65                               | Warrant                         | 35          |
| 66                               | Weapons Offense                 | 4           |
| 67                               | Welfare Check                   | 125         |
| <b>Grand Total for all calls</b> |                                 | <b>2218</b> |

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