



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg, AK 99833

Meeting Minutes Public Safety Advisory Board Meeting

Thursday, April 27, 2023

12:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Chair Testoni called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Chair Mark Testoni

Vice Chair Mark Tuccillo

Board Member Devren Bennett

Board Member Stan Hjort

Board Member John Lichtenberger

2. Introduction of Board Members

The Board Members introduced themselves.

3. Selection of Chair and Vice Chair

Code Section 3.36.040A states that at the first meeting held after the annual municipal election, the board shall, by majority vote, elect from its members a chairperson and vice-chairperson.

The Board elected John Lichtenberger as Chair and Mark Tuccillo as Vice Chair.

Motion made by Chair Testoni, Seconded by Vice Chair Tuccillo.

Voting Yea: Chair Testoni, Vice Chair Tuccillo, Board Member Bennett, Board Member Hjort, Board Member Lichtenberger

A. PMC Chapter 3.36 - Public Safety Advisory Board

4. Approval of Minutes

A. February 15, 2022 PSAB Meeting Minutes

The February 15, 2023 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Motion made by Vice Chair Tuccillo, Seconded by Board Member Testoni.

Voting Yea: Chair Lichtenberger, Vice Chair Tuccillo, Board Member Bennett, Board Member Hjort, Board Member Testoni

5. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The agenda was amended to add a new business item regarding dedicating a portion of the curb on North Nordic Drive for a drop off zone in front of the drug store for people to pick up their medications. The Board unanimously approved the agenda as amended.

Motion made by Board Member Hjort, Seconded by Board Member Testoni.

Voting Yea: Chair Lichtenberger, Vice Chair Tuccillo, Board Member Bennett, Board Member Hjort, Board Member Testoni

6. Persons to be Heard Related to Agenda

Don Koenigs spoke in favor of creating two handicap parking spots on Dolphin Street and in support of marking a drop off zone in front of the drug store.

7. Persons to be Heard Unrelated to Agenda

No views were shared.

8. Staff Report

A. Fire/EMS/SAR Director Report

Fire/EMS/SAR Director Hankins reported on the department's emergency response capability and the function and structure of the Emergency Command Center.

9. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

10. New Business

A. Raven's Roost Trail Signage and Crosswalk

Chief Kerr was contacted by a local citizen requesting a crosswalk and signage to slow down the traffic on the road at the base of Raven's Roost Trail. The parking area is on the opposite side of the road from the trail head, vehicles are often driving fast off of Cabin Creek Road and the visibility isn't the best for pedestrians coming off the trail. Chief Kerr seeks support from the Board to request Public Works install a CAUTION or SLOW sign on both sides of the road and a crosswalk from the base of the trail to the other side of the street.

The Board voted to investigate the criteria for adding a crosswalk at the Raven's Roost Trail location.

Motion made by Vice Chair Tuccillo, Seconded by Board Member Testoni.

Voting Yea: Chair Lichtenberger, Vice Chair Tuccillo, Board Member Bennett, Board Member Hjort, Board Member Testoni

B. Handicap Access Parking on Dolphin Street

The Board recommends providing one permanent handicap parking spot on the south side of Dolphin Street by a vote of 4 to 1.

Motion made by Vice Chair Tuccillo, Seconded by Board Member Testoni.

Voting Yea: Vice Chair Tuccillo, Board Member Bennett, Board Member Hjort, Board Member Testoni

Voting Nay: Chair Lichtenberger

C. Parabolic Mirror Installation at Haugen Drive & Second Street

The Board unanimously voted to pursue evaluation of placing a mirror near the intersection of Haugen Drive and Second Street.

Motion made by Vice Chair Tuccillo, Seconded by Board Member Bennett.

Voting Yea: Chair Lichtenberger, Vice Chair Tuccillo, Board Member Bennett, Board Member Hjort, Board Member Testoni

D. Appointment of a PSAB liaison to the Local Emergency Planning Committee

The Board unanimously appointed Mark Tuccillo as the Board's liaison to the LEPC.

Motion made by Chair Testoni, Seconded by Board Member Bennett.

Voting Yea: Chair Lichtenberger, Vice Chair Tuccillo, Board Member Bennett, Board Member Hjort, Board Member Testoni

11. Communications

There were no communications to share.

12. Discussion Items

Member Testoni discussed his view that when Petersburg receives the new fire truck, we should keep the old fire truck and utilize it in the Papke's Landing area. Discussion took place regarding creation of a new service area.

Chair Lichtenberger requested a report from Chief Kerr and Director Hankins at a future meeting regarding what is in place (training, emergency plans, etc.) in Petersburg for active shooter situations.

13. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Motion made by Vice Chair Tuccillo, Seconded by Board Member Bennett.

Voting Yea: Chair Lichtenberger, Vice Chair Tuccillo, Board Member Bennett, Board Member Hjort, Board Member Testoni