

**BLUE SPRINGS
PUBLIC SAFETY CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, May 26, 2020
6:00 pm**

Public Telephone Conference
Microsoft Teams Audio Meeting

PLEASE NOTE:

Pursuant to Jackson County Executive Order dated March 12, 2020 and subsequent amendments requiring residents to stay at home and limiting public gatherings, this meeting was conducted by taking safe social distancing measures as required by the Order.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cynthia Savel, Chair
Robert Morton, Vice Chairman
Natalie Beltgens
Cindy Hood
Patrick Mitchell
Elly Welchert

ALSO PRESENT:

Councilmember Susan Culpepper- Non-Voting
Chief Robert Muenz- Non-Voting
Recording Secretary Raquel Stark- Non-Voting
Student Representative- Non-Voting- Unassigned at this time (In Progress)

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairman Savel called the Public Safety Citizens' Advisory Board to order at 6:04 p.m.

APPROVE FEBRUARY BOARD MINUTES:

Board Member Hood moved to approve the Minutes of the February 25, 2020 Public Safety Citizens' Advisory Board meeting. Motion seconded by Board Member Morton and carried with the following votes:

Board Member Hood – AYE
Board Member Mitchell – AYE
Board Member Beltgens – AYE

Vice Chairman Morton – AYE
Board Member Welchert - AYE
Chairman Savel – AYE

PSST FINANCIAL REPORT:

Chief Robert Muenz presented the cumulative report regarding The Public Safety Sales Tax monthly financial statements for February 29, 2020, March 31, 2020 and April 30, 2020.

For February- "The 1/2% Public Safety sales tax is imposed on all taxable goods and services within the City limits of Blue Springs and can only be used for public safety purposes. The tax went into effect on October 1, 2011. The detailed budget for the Public Safety Sales Tax Fund can be found on page 84 of the 2019-2020 adopted budget. For the month of February, the City received 100% of budgeted revenues and 103% of revenue received last year. For the fiscal year, PSST sales tax revenues are \$70,564 or 4.9% over budget."

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adopted budget. For the month of March, the City received 100% of budgeted revenues and 99% of revenue received last year. For the fiscal year, PSST sales tax revenues are \$69,295 or 3.81% over budget.”

For April- “The 1/2% Public Safety sales tax is imposed on all taxable goods and services within the City limits of Blue Springs and can only be used for public safety purposes. The tax went into effect on October 1, 2011. The detailed budget for the Public Safety Sales Tax Fund can be found on page 84 of the 2019-2020 adopted budget. For the month of April, the City received 100% of budgeted revenues and 98% of revenue received last year. For the fiscal year, PSST sales tax revenues are \$69,399 or 3.28% over budget. Sales tax receipts in June and after will reflect the impact of COVID-19.”

Board members asked what budget short falls are currently due to COVID-19. Chief advised right now it is unknown at this time. Should have insight on next monthly budget.

Board Member Hood moved to approve the PSST Financial reports. Motion seconded by Board Member Morton and carried with the following votes:

Board Member Hood – AYE
Board Member Mitchell – AYE
Board Member Beltgens – AYE

Vice Chairman Morton – AYE
Board Member Welchert - AYE
Chairman Savel – AYE

PSST FACILITIES REPORT:

Chief Robert Muenz gave the PSST Facilities Report regarding the Blue Springs Public Safety Building.

- LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) update- Chief was pleased to announce that we achieved LEED certification status.

PUBLIC SAFETY SALES TAX GOALS/PROJECTS UPDATES & POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

**** “It should be noted that due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the March and April meetings were not held and a 36th Quarterly Report covering the first quarter of 2020 was not Approved.”****

Chief Muenz gave the Public Safety Sales Tax Goals/Projects update Report regarding goals, projects and statistics from 37th quarterly report. He and the board discussed police personnel hiring and openings, Citizens Police Academy graduation #34 canceled, Police Memorial postponement, response times, juvenile reporting, PSCAP forum, National Incident Based Reporting system report, and crime overview report.

REQUEST FOR ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AT NEXT MEETING:

Chairman Savel opened the floor for requests for items to be discussed at next meeting.
No Board Members had requests.

VISITORS AND AUDIENCE PRESENTATION/QUESTIONS:

N/A

ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE EVENTS

GIRLS ON FIRE- DEADLINE TO SIGN-UP HAS PASSED.

June 22-26

August 10-14

LIFE SPORTS- DEADLINE TO SIGN-UP HAS PASSED.

July 6-10

PSCAB MEETING- Tuesday, July 28, 2020 @ 6:00 pm

Blue Springs Police Department- Journagan Family Community Room


Howard L. Brown Public Safety Building

1100 SW Smith Street

Blue Springs, MO 64015

ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:40 p.m. there was no further business to come before the Board, Board Member Hood moved the meeting be adjourned. Motion seconded by Board Member Mitchell and carried unanimously.


Cindy Savel, Chairman