



PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday, September 6, 2022

A meeting of the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council was held at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 via Zoom virtual meeting platform

	Judge Wells Ashby (<i>Chair</i>)	x	Nick Lelack, <i>County Administrator (Vice Chair)</i>
x	Erik Kropp, <i>Deputy County Administrator (Acting Chair in Judge Ashby's absence)</i>		Phil Chang, <i>County Commissioner</i>
	Patti Adair, <i>County Commissioner</i>	x	Anthony DeBone, <i>County Commissioner</i>
	Shane Nelson, <i>Deschutes County Sheriff</i>		Deevy Holcomb, <i>Community Justice</i>
	Sara Crosswhite, <i>9-1-1 Operations</i>	x	Keith Witcosky, <i>City of Redmond Mgr</i>
	John Hummel, <i>District Attorney</i>		Thomas Spear, <i>Defense Attorney</i>
x	Angie Curtis, <i>Court Administrator</i>		Roberto Robles, <i>Oregon State Police</i>
	Mike Krantz, <i>Bend Police Chief</i>	x	Devin Lewis, <i>Redmond Police Chief</i>
	Cory Darling, <i>Sunriver Police Chief</i>		Jason Van Meter, <i>Black Butte Police Chief</i>
	Melanie Kebler, <i>Bend City Council</i>		Donna McClung, <i>Oregon Youth Authority</i>
x	Gil Levy, <i>KIDS Center</i>	x	Donna Mills, <i>Citizen Member</i>
x	Erin Taylor, <i>Citizen Member</i>		

Also present were: Trevor Stephens, Deschutes County Community Justice Business Manager, William Bailey, DCSO Captain, Ashley Beatty, Victim Advocate Coordinator for Deschutes County, Cassi MacQueen, Saving Grace Executive Director and Angie Powers, Deschutes County Board of Commissioners Administrative Assistant. No media present.

1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS:

Acting Chair Erik Kropp, Deputy County Administrator, called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF PSCC MEETING MINUTES:

Action: Motion made by Chief Devin Lewis to approve the August 2, 2022 meeting minutes.

SECOND: Donna Mills

VOTES: All yes. Motion carries.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT: None presented.

4. VICTIM ADVOCATE VAWA GRANT APPROVAL:

Ashley Beatty, Victim Advocate Coordinator for Deschutes County, presented the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grant opportunity for competitive grant funding. The full grant amount would fully fund a co-located advocate who would be tasked with restraining order violations. It would also fund a best-practice case review, in partnership with Saving Grace. The duration of the grant is three years, and grant would be for up to \$400,000. A 25% match is required. Redmond PD and Deschutes County would have a set schedule for the co-located advocate.

Action: Motion by Vice Chair Nick Lelack, for LPSCC to support the VAWA grant application and to have Judge Ashby sign the letter of support to the grant review committee.

SECOND: Chief Devin Lewis

VOTES: All yes. Motion carries.

5. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Acting Chair Erik Kropp recognized the recent Safeway tragedy and the tremendous job by law enforcement and first responders. Ashley Beatty spoke about the Community Assistance Center, a partnership between Deschutes County Behavioral Health Services, St. Charles Health System, Deschutes County Victim Advocates and Bend La Pine Schools. The Assistance center was open all week following the tragedy. Support services were moved to the Stabilization Center over the weekend. They continue to work together for scheduled debriefings for staff members providing the service. The tri-county response team is working in the schools.
- Vice Chair Nick Lelack recognized that the community as a whole is grappling with what happened. Following the incident, he received a prompt call from Sara Crosswhite, 9-1-1 Director. He then notified the County Commissioners and reached out to City Manager Eric King. He commended the coordination efforts and collaboration amongst all law enforcement agencies and the health department.

- Erik Kropp shared that he has been the Interim Health Director while the search for a new one has been taking place. Janice Garceau, Deschutes County Behavioral Health Director has been offered (and accepted) the position of the new Deschutes County Health Director and she will start in her new role on October 1st.
- Erik recognized that an off-duty Deschutes County Sheriff's deputy, Ernie Brown, lost his life over the weekend in a tragic motorcycle accident in Junction City, Oregon. His name is Ernie Brown. William Bailey shared that Ernie will be transported back home tomorrow.
- Commissioner DeBone acknowledged the somber news our community is working through together. Erik Kropp added that the coordination and preparation is vitally important, and starts before the incident occurs.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further discussion, Acting Chair Erik Kropp thanked everyone for attending and the meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Powers, BOCC Administrative Assistant