

June 7, 2023

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MINUTES

April 5, 2023

7:00 p.m.

Community Room, Albany Police Department/VIRTUAL

Approved: DRAFT

Call to Order

Cynthia Greene called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Adam Brenneman, Erik Anderson, Erik Rau, Cynthia Greene, Nicholas Fowler (virtual), Evan Church, Pat Kidd, Kevin Kreitman

Members absent:

Staff present: Brad Liles, Captain; Shane Wooton, Fire Chief; Rochelle James, Administrative Assistant I

February 1, 2023, Minutes were approved.

Staff Updates

Police Update – Brad Liles

Captain Liles provided a snapshot of hiring with the Albany Police Department. We have hired one officer, and two more are pending. We are hiring one police clerk, four dispatchers, and a community service officer. Captain Liles discussed the timeframe from hiring an applicant until they begin working independently. Captain Liles stressed that the department is not lowering standards in the hiring process. Background investigations are done in-house and are very thorough.

Staffing plays a significant role in our report numbers. Reported numbers from the public are not affected by staffing. A graphic of Albany Police Department Narcan use was shown and illustrated the increase in overdose events for 2023 and the number of overdose deaths. These numbers do not reflect the use of Narcan by the Albany Fire Department or the public use of Narcan. APD encourages the use of Narcan and increased availability to the public. There was a discussion about the public use of Narcan, cost, and shelf life.

Captain Liles discussed the crime snapshot, comparing March 2022 to March 2023. Captain Liles noted larceny from vehicles was up, larceny-other was up 47%, vandalism is up 72%, and weapons laws are up 36%. The percentage of change from year to date in 2022 to 2023 was discussed. There has been a two percent increase in dispatched calls this year. Self-initiated call numbers have been reduced partially due to staffing issues and the need for more unobligated patrol time. Priority P and priority one calls are up 21%. Priority P and priority one calls are the most severe and immediate offenses.

Captain Liles discussed using statistics to give real-time information to see the higher crime areas and focus attention on those areas. Captain Liles discussed the accreditation process along with the upcoming April online assessment and June onsite assessment review. Captain Liles discussed upcoming community engagement events, including the PRIDE event and the security measures at the event. Other public events were discussed, along with the Albany Police Departments' support for all events, the staging of resources, and the necessary preplanning to facilitate those events. Captain Liles gave an update regarding code changes for churches to allow camping for the homeless, the requirement for providing a public space for the homeless, access to services, and the potential effect on the community.

Fire Update – Shane Wooton

Chief Wooton advised Albany Fire Department is moving towards Lexipol policy after receiving a grant from their insurance carrier to make the switch. Calls for service are down this month from last. Albany Fire Department is still projecting a busier year this year than last. Response times remain consistent. The type of calls Albany Fire is responding to have remained the same.

Chief Wooton discussed the types of complaints received by the department, such as no-patient trips, city vehicle driving complaints, and fire code enforcement. Chief Wooton discussed how fire codes requiring firewalls between apartments saved a local apartment from becoming a total structure loss due to an apartment fire.

The first all-Spanish-speaking CPR class was held for a parent group at South Albany High School. Albany Fire Department is encouraging and incentivizing employees to learn Spanish and working towards providing Spanish services as our community changes.

Five new recruits are in the internal academy and will finish in April. After that, they will be released to shifts and assigned to Field Training Officers. Chief Wooton discussed how all new recruits are assigned a mentor who is not on their shift to assist them with issues that may arise. Chief Wooton was asked about the recent hiring process and the outcome. Two positions needed to be filled, and the top two candidates were offered positions. Chief Wooton also discussed the lengthy hiring process for Albany Fire Department.

The grants awarded to AFD were discussed along with their purpose. Using grant funding, a new fire truck and a new water tender truck will be purchased. AFD also received a \$10,000.00 grant for work that had already been completed.

AFD is hiring a new insurance specialist due to retirement. Video interviews were completed today. Five people will move forward to interviews in the next two weeks.

Chief Wooton discussed the budget outlook for this coming fiscal year, staffing levels, and additional hires will be included if the budget is passed. Another ambulance will be staffed seven days a week, adding capacity to the AFD system. The additional ambulance will alleviate some staffing and availability issues. Billing issues for ambulance transport were discussed along with related legislation and its potential impact on revenue.

Safety Camp will be at Oak Grove Elementary from June 26th- 29th. Safety Camp is a joint venture between AFD and APD. The City of Albany is adopting the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan next week. Chief Wooton advised that he is working with Linn County to update their Community Wildfire Protection Plan. Chief Wooton also provided the committee members with a copy of the Albany Fire Department annual report.

Pat Kidd asked about support for HB129. Fentanyl and illicit drug use, the associated crime, and prosecutions regarding drug use were discussed. Captain Liles talked about decriminalizing narcotics, drug distribution, and its effects on the community.

Erik Rau asked if the commission has had presentations from different departments or other community groups that are related to the commission and if that would be something that would be considered in the future. The commission members said they would find it informative and would consider suggestions.

Business from the Commission

None.

Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, June 7, 2023.

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Cynthia Greene adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rochelle James
Administrative Assistant I

Reviewed by,

Reviewer's Name
Reviewer's Title

**Documents discussed at the meeting that are not in the agenda packet are archived in the record. The documents are available by emailing cityclerk@cityofalbany.net.*



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION DEPARTMENT REPORT April, 2023



CRIME SNAPSHOT						
Selected Group A Offenses	March-22	March-23	% Chg	2022 YTD	2023 YTD	% Chg
Person	39	23	● -41.03%	69	43	● -37.68%
Homicide	0	1	● N/C	0	1	● N/C
Rape	3	0	● -100.00%	3	2	● -33.33%
Ag Assault	2	2	● 0.00%	8	4	● -50.00%
Assault - Other	17	14	● -17.65%	33	29	● -12.12%
Sex Crime	11	3	● -72.73%	16	7	● -56.25%
Human Trafficking	0	0	● N/C	0	0	● N/C
Domestic (subset of above)	6	3	● -50.00%	9	11	● 22.22%
Property	216	234	● 8.33%	366	373	● 1.91%
Robbery - Residence	0	0	● N/C	0	0	● N/C
Robbery - Business	0	0	● N/C	0	1	● N/C
Robbery - Other	0	2	● N/C	0	2	● N/C
Robbery 3 (subset of above)	0	2	● N/C	0	3	● N/C
Burglary - Business	3	5	● 66.67%	5	6	● 20.00%
Burglary - Other	1	3	● 200.00%	1	3	● 200.00%
Burglary - Residence	8	4	● -50.00%	14	4	● -71.43%
Stolen Vehicle	10	9	● -10.00%	17	14	● -17.65%
Larceny - From Vehicle	27	29	● 7.41%	39	46	● 17.95%
Larceny - Shoplifting	63	35	● -44.44%	96	74	● -22.92%
Larceny - Other	36	53	● 47.22%	73	72	● -1.37%
Arson	0	6	● N/C	0	8	● N/C
Vandalism	40	69	● 72.50%	74	114	● 54.05%
Fraud - Credit Card	3	1	● -66.67%	4	2	● -50.00%
Fraud - ID Theft	7	6	● -14.29%	13	7	● -46.15%
Fraud - Other	18	12	● -33.33%	30	20	● -33.33%
Society	31	28	● -9.68%	56	47	● -16.07%
Animal Cruelty	1	2	● 100.00%	2	2	● 0.00%
Drug Laws	1	5	● 400.00%	5	11	● 120.00%
DUII	18	6	● -66.67%	27	8	● -70.37%
Weapons Laws	11	15	● 36.36%	22	26	● 18.18%
Livability	139	39	● -71.94%	214	79	● -63.08%
Abandoned Vehicle	100	35	● -65.00%	163	71	● -56.44%
Junk/Trash	33	3	● -90.91%	42	6	● -85.71%
Overnight/Prohibited Camping	6	1	● -83.33%	9	2	● -77.78%
Calls for Service	March-22	March-23	% Chg	2022 YTD	2023 YTD	% Chg
Call Source	3873	3405	● -12.08%	6879	6217	● -9.62%
Dispatched Calls	1668	1796	● 7.67%	3046	3104	● 1.90%
Self-Initiated Calls	2205	1609	● -27.03%	3833	3113	● -18.78%
Response Time (Minutes)						
Priority P & 1	5.93	7.55	● 27.25%	6.11	7.41	● 21.22%
Priority 2 & 3	20.97	18.46	● -11.96%	20.07	19.48	● -2.93%
Priority 4+	15.47	33.37	● 115.68%	15.32	25.88	● 68.93%



Albany Police Department								
Narcan	Year	ODs	OD Death	Heroin	Fentanyl	Meth	LSD	Marijuana
10	2019	21	2	12	2	3	1	3
20	2020	29	1	14	4	6	2	1
39	2021	50	4	21	15	7	1	1
71	2022	89	9	16	61	11	0	8
38	2023	31	3	0	26	2	1	2



HIRING

2023 HIRING	
HIRED	1 POLICE OFFICER
PENDNG HIRES	2 POLICE OFFICERS
	1 CLERK
	4 DISPATCHERS



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION DEPARTMENT REPORT

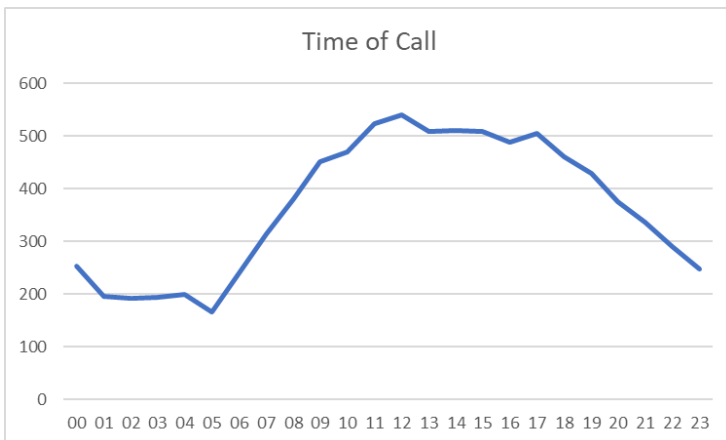
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Albany Fire Department Total Responses				
Month	FY 20 Total	FY 21 Total	FY 22 Total	FY 23 Total
July	888	858	1070	992
August	886	884	1048	968
September	871	893	1010	920
October	856	866	958	972
November	793	824	941	970
December	792	876	945	1158
January	809	883	911	1007
February	752	817	829	914
March	819	795	853	880
April	690	926	864	
May	752	905	896	
June	817	922	936	
Total	9,725	10,449	11,291	8,781
FY23 Projected Total 11,709				

Average Response Times City of Albany Calls Only 911 Call Received to Arrival Time				
	FY20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23 To Date
Emergent Responses	7:08	7:15	7:10	7:09
Structure Fires	5:49	6:08	6:18	6:06

Fiscal Year Concurrent Incidents				
Concurrent Incidents	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY23 To Date
1	46.08%	40.44%	36.57%	34.54%
2	34.33%	34.44%	35.42%	34.90%
3	14.20%	16.97%	18.97%	19.46%
4	4.04%	6.10%	6.86%	8.02%
5	1.14%	1.65%	1.67%	2.31%
6	0.20%	0.08%	0.40%	0.43%
7	0.15%	0.08%	0.10%	0.16%
8	-	0.02%	0.02%	0.09%
9	-	-	-	0.06%
10	-	-	-	0.01%
11	-	-	-	0.01%



<i>Top 50 Type of Call</i>	Count
<i>SICK PERSON</i>	1278
<i>FALL</i>	711
<i>BREATHING PROBLEMS</i>	552
<i>LIFT ASSIST</i>	530
<i>TRANSFER</i>	434
<i>CHEST PAIN</i>	378
<i>UNCONSCIOUS FAINTING</i>	376
<i>UNKNOWN MEDICAL PROBLEM</i>	351
<i>FIRE ALARM ACTIVATION</i>	333
<i>MVC INJURY</i>	208
<i>SEIZURE</i>	204
<i>HEMORRHAGE BLEED</i>	179
<i>ABDOMINAL PAIN OR PROBLEMS</i>	167
<i>STROKE</i>	156
<i>OD INGESTION POISONING</i>	154
<i>EMERGENCY TRANSFER</i>	146
<i>TRAUMA INJURY</i>	128
<i>HEART PROBLEMS</i>	105
<i>DIABETIC PROBLEM</i>	102
<i>CARDIAC OR RESPIRATORY ARREST</i>	92
<i>BACK PAIN</i>	91
<i>FIRE MOVEUP ONLY</i>	72
<i>SMALL MISC FIRE</i>	70
<i>PSYCHIATRIC, SUICIDE ATTEMPT</i>	67
<i>STRUCTURE FIRE</i>	53
<i>SMOKE INVESTIGATION</i>	50
<i>PUBLIC ASSISTANCE</i>	49
<i>ASSAULT, RAPE, VIOLENT TRAUMA</i>	47
<i>ODOR INVESTIGATION</i>	42
<i>HEADACHE</i>	39
<i>BURN COMPLAINT</i>	33
<i>ALLERGY REACTION</i>	33
<i>CHOKING</i>	27
<i>FIRE STANDBY</i>	21
<i>COLD OR HEAT EXPOSURE</i>	19
<i>HAZMAT INCIDENT</i>	18
<i>FIRE AGENCY ASSIST</i>	18
<i>WIRE DOWN</i>	15
<i>CAR FIRE</i>	14
<i>STABBING GUNSHOT</i>	12
<i>ANIMAL BITES ATTACKS</i>	9
<i>APARTMENT FIRE</i>	8
<i>POWER TELE POLE FIRE</i>	6
<i>OB, CHILDBIRTH, MISCARRIAGE</i>	6
<i>SMALL NATURAL COVER FIRE</i>	6
<i>FLUE FIRE</i>	4
<i>FIREWORKS FIRE CALL</i>	4
<i>EYE PROBLEM OR INJURY</i>	3
<i>CARBON MONOXIDE INHALATION</i>	3
<i>BURNS SCALDS OR EXPLOSION</i>	3



Since our last meeting...

1. Spanish CPR Classes at South Albany HS
2. Five New Recruits in Academy
3. Annual Report

Looking Ahead...

1. Office of Oregon State Fire Marshal – Mobile Attack Tender
2. Two firefighter job offers extended.
3. Budget Process Update
4. Safety Camp June 26 – 29 at Oak Grove Elementary

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