



SHERIFF'S CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

**Monday, September 18, 2017
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

**@ Spokane Regional Health District Bldg., 1101 W. College Ave., Room #140
(Parking available in lots after 5pm)**

The meeting was called to order at 5:50. There was a delay due to a fallen power line across I90. The freeway had been shut down and the CAB was initially short of a quorum. In attendance was Suzun Kaiser, Christina Nelson, Verne King, Mike Davisson, Mehrdad Samadi, Larry Marlett, Skip Johnson, Kenneth Winn, Steve James, Chuck Parker, Brandi Peetz, and Bob West.

The minutes of August 14, 2017 were approved unanimously as written.

There were no speakers and one guest attended. (Chris Jackson a candidate for Spokane Valley City Council introduced himself and told the CAB he was there to learn more about them).

An update was given on the Sheriff's Fall Citizen Academy. It will be held October 2nd and ending on November 20th. Classes run every Monday from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (8 days total). The venue will be the Spokane County Sheriff's Training Center, 6011 N. Chase Road in Newman Lake. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Deputy Chris Johnston at 389-2771 or email at crjohnston@spokanesheriff.org. This is a free class and class size is limited. An RSVP is required.

Bob briefed the CAB on possible use of force simulator training out at the academy. He has contacted Deputy Moen. He is trying to coordinate dates in the future and will advise.

Chuck briefed everyone on the NACOLE Conference which was held September 10-14, at the Davenport Grand Hotel. There were approximately 450 attendees and it was a huge success. Sheriff Knezovich was presented a plaque for his oversight work along with the CAB. Commissioner French recognized that week with a proclamation. Bob chaired the local planning committee, along with Chuck and several other members from the community. The conference was a huge success and we were told by a NACOLE Board member, the best they have attended for the nine years they had been coming. The CAB was also thanked for their volunteer efforts. It takes a village!

As September is designated as the start of a new fiscal year, according to Bylaws, nominations and an election would convene to select positions for the upcoming year. Chuck, Bob, and Leigh currently serve in these positions. Each were nominated, seconded, and confirmed by acclamation for their respective positions for the upcoming year.

Under “New Business” Chuck emphasized the importance of referring media inquiries to himself or his designees. He reviewed the CAB protocols for media inquiries. He also explained despite the Sheriff being independent of the CAB, it is essential to keep him informed as well, for additional information we might not be aware of.

Sheriff Knezovich briefed the CAB on the (Connor Griffith-Guerrero case – Inlander 6/29/17) This case was reviewed as a training mechanism and not reviewed for report. Sheriff protocols were adhered to and emphasis on conduct when addressing the public.

Sheriff Knezovich also gave some information as the Sheriff spokesperson in regard to the recent school shooting at Freeman High School. He commended the school and other school districts in implementing shut-down procedures. He indicated the response of his deputies in this outlying school district was 6 minutes. He lauded the first responders for their actions and said there is always room for improvement. His heart went out to families, students, and anyone that was affected by the incident.

There was an amendment change to CAB current Bylaws. The change was Article VII (Membership) (F). It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to change this section. It now reads: If membership is at or above the stated minimum, a waiting list for new members will be maintained. Applicants will be eligible for membership after administrative processing and as vacancies occur.

Our next regular meeting will be scheduled for: Monday, October 9, 2017, 5:30 – 7:30, Spokane Regional Health District, 1101 W. College Ave., Room #140. (Please note that September and October meetings will both be at Spokane Regional Health District venue)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by Bob West