May 20, 2014 Community Advisory Committee

<u>Members Present</u> - Terry Schuchert, Greg Leo, Glen Rader, Larry Parrish, Terry Witter, Herb Colomb, Steve Staten

<u>Sheriff's Office Staff Present</u> – Sheriff Jason Myers, Commander Eric Hlad, Commander Kevin Schultz, Sara Zavala, Deputy Shawn Bush

<u>Community Members Present</u> - Chief Rod Yoder (Aurora Fire Dist), Councilor Rick Olmstead (City of Donald), Mayor Daroll Nicholson (City of Aurora)

- 1. **Welcome and Introductions:** The Sheriff welcomed the group and requested introductions.
- 2. Old Business:

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- a. Review Minutes From 2/18/14 Minutes were reviewed;
- b. Homeless Camp Update Dep. Shawn Bush provided an update on the status of the homeless camp located off Cordon Road. Residents and businesses have been experiencing issues with theft, vandalism, etc. Sheriff Myers said that transients usually go to Union Gospel Mission during winter months, but population will increase in camps during the summer. Sheriff estimated that the UGM can house two hundred per night. Steve added that UGM just got approved for another property for expansion. This is a great program. Glen appreciated Dep. Bush following through on this community Issue.
- c. P&P Deputy in Stayton Area Commander Schultz wanted to respond to Cari's question from the last meeting. We will still have a PO (Bobby Ottis) located in Stayton. Stayton PD has offered space for our PO; seamless transition.
- d. Stayton Municipal Court Sheriff talked to Chief Sebens last week. The city has identified a building for the location of a Justice Court; currently in remediation. July 1 is the expected open date. County Justice Courts are consolidating. Greg asked about the location of the Justice Courts and how the county arrived there. The Sheriff explained that there were multiple justice courts. For efficiency and security purposes, there will be only one location for the justice court. The new location is right off I-5; it will be safer, securer.
- e. Marine Patrol Update Commander Schultz said from the volunteer / Community Resource Unit standpoint, we have held several boat inspection events. Other inspections will be held up near Detroit. Commander Hlad added that Dep. Dave Zahn and Cadet Garret Olson are working on the lake. There is a Marine Board program that address Boating Under the Influence information. Using the Traffic Safety Team's approach (Education, Engineering, Enforcement), the Office plans to help

address BUII and DUIIs in the area. The group suggested trying to partner to use the reader board that is located up Hwy 22. Greg asked about Willamette River area; it's confusing, but during summer months, Polk County has jurisdiction in summer, but in winter months MCSO has jurisdiction because we have a full time marine patrol unit. Glen asked how many deputies work the lake; Cmdr. Hlad said between 2-4.

3) New Business / Community Issues - Mayor Nicholson thanked Sheriff, Commanders, Deputy Bush, Sgt. Sherburn, Councilor Olmstead, Chief Yoder, and others for their work. Donald officials had to leave early to attend a budget meeting.

4) Roundtable / Sheriff's Office Updates:

Larry Parrish - No major issues at North Fork area. Larry mentioned that a gate will be going up in the neighborhood to help keep unauthorized users out. Steve said there are two access points, so the new gate will most likely be added on the back side. Larry is considering setting a neighborhood watch. Cmdr. Schultz suggested coordinating the meeting with the launch of neighborhood watch programs. He offered a location in Mill City.

Herb Colomb - No issues; mentioned that city of Salem has been working to have an information booth for kids at certain events. Sheriff welcomed any information. **Larry Schuchert** - No issues.

Terry Witter - Terry said that he is still interested in cadet information for kids in the Gervais area. Cmdr. Schultz suggested Dep. Bush work with Sgt. Knutson to plan a visit.

Steve Staten - Spoke with a Salem City Councilor to see what issues she thought might be on the horizon. She said that with marijuana legalization, funds go into state general fund versus local municipalities. However, local municipalities are tasked with dealing with the issues associated with this. Sheriff said the State of Oregon Sheriffs, State DA's, are pushing against the issue; they do not want legalization because it comes with a host of issues. There are huge implications for our youth too, whom the marijuana companies are targeting. Greg added that the PBS poll shows more than 50% opposed to legalization.

Greg Leo - Fire board has a levy tonight, which hopefully will result in the ability to build a new fire station. The ask of the Sheriff is that if we do build the space, he wondered about the opportunity to discuss enhanced district. Chief Yoder is open to working together for enhanced patrol funding or part time office space. Sheriff appreciated the Chief's offer. We have been looking at a public safety law enforcement district. We want this to be a grassroots effort, but Commissioners and Sheriff support the concept. This is a natural area for growth. He added that our funding provides a base service, but there is great value in these enhanced districts. Greg added that with the levies, we are getting information about what voters will tolerate. Greg is the CERT coordinator for Donald/Aurora. He said that there is work to be done about coordinating between teams, including Search and Rescue. He said that FEMA is providing some equipment. Sheriff said that he agreed to reaching out to the SAR team. Park issues - there are issues with transients using the parks and victimizing other users or nearby residents. He'd like to see MCSO work with State Parks. Sheriff asked what park district Champoeg Park is in. We have a good relationship with Silver Falls Park District. He doesn't believe they utilize their exclusion authority enough. Sheriff may speak to Superintendent Evans and raise this issue.

Glen - No major issues in NE Salem right now.

Sheriff's Office Update:

Commander Schultz - Thanked Greg for setting this up; Thanked Chief Yoder for hosting us. Thanked Larry and Herb for their help with the interview panel. He also thanked Herb and his wife for attending a swearing in as well. Cari and Kristy provided meals for the recent volunteer appreciation day. Finally, he said that the Mobile Crisis Response team will be held at another time.

Commander Hlad - Handed out a copy of DDACTS data, which is a new crime mapping program for deputies to utilize. It's essentially a pin map of crimes. He will give a full report at a future meeting. Greg hoped we can use a projector when the presentation is given so we can see the map. He welcomed any questions or requests; send them to Sara or Kevin.

Sheriff Myers - We are working on finalizing our Budget and our presentation will be on June 3rd. We have a status quo budget, so we are very fortunate. The Budget Committee votes that week. Representative Kevin Cameron was selected as the new Commissioner. ICE detainers - Sheriff said we have been honoring ICE detainers in the past (48 hour hold), but a recent Clackamas County lawsuit changed how local law enforcement handles ICE detainer requests. They are requests and are not lawful authority to hold. We must follow the decision. If a person commits a crime in Marion County, they are held accountable. If ICE wants someone held, they must get a Judicial warrant, which we will honor. We continue to work friendly with ICE, but will ensure our policies follow the law. Steve asked about reimbursement for our local jail holding ICE detainers; yes, SCAAP funding was in existence, but under the Obama administration, it is going away.

Glen offered any support for the upcoming budget meeting.

Future agenda items:

Mobile Crisis Response Team DDACTS

Next meeting - Suggested holding East County meeting in September and Abiqua School in November. No objections to these sites; we will move forward as planned.

Greg thanked everyone for coming this evening. Chief Yoder brought up a "personnel issue" - he said Dep. Marcellais has done an outstanding job; shown us what a police

department should be like. He's fresh air for the community. He is appreciated; is always in the community.

Steven commented that the new PIO is doing a great job. Larry commented that he saw excellent candidates for the job openings.

Glen motioned to adjourn; Herb seconded the motion.

Adjourned at 7:28.

Future Meetings:

- a) September 16 East County
- b) November 18 Abiqua School (South area)