

# Marion County Sheriff's Office

## Community Advisory Committee Meeting

September 18, 2018 Agenda

**MEETING LOCATION: Marion County Public Safety Building, 3610 Aumsville Hwy SE, Salem**

**6:30 pm to 8:00 pm**

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1. Welcome & Introductions
  
2. Committee Business:
  - a. Minutes 3/20/18
  
3. Roundtable Community Issues
  
4. Tour of new Public Safety Building

#### 2018 Meeting Dates and Locations:

3/20 - hosted by Jail

~~5/8 - hosted by Jail~~

9/18 - hosted by MCSO

11/20 - hosted by MCSO

## **MCSO Community Advisory Committee – 3/20/18**

Guest: Shelley Engler, Detroit Police & Safety Commissioner, Marilyn Long (ESSNA)

Members Present: Herb Colomb, Karl Polm-Faudre, Terry Witter, Glen Rader, Debrea Howard, Kevin Fredinburg

MCSO Present: Commander Sheila Lorance, Commissioner Kevin Cameron, Sheriff Jason Myers, Undersheriff Troy Clausen, Commander Eric Hlad, Sergeant Jason Hickam, Sara Zavala

- 1) **Welcome and Introductions** – Meeting began at 6:35
- 2) **Committee Business** – Herb moved to approve the 9-19-17 minutes, Terry seconded. No discussion. All aye; none opposed.
- 3) **East Salem Enhanced Service District** –
  - Sheriff Myers presented information about an Enhanced Service District that the Sheriff's Office has been working to develop. Committee questions and feedback.
  - Sheriff said that town hall style meetings are in the works.
  - Commissioner Cameron thanked the group for their volunteer work on this committee.
  - Over the past year, this topic has been discussed. Commissioners can overlay a public safety service district by Board order.
  - A East County/North Fork deputy and a French Prairie deputy out of general fund.
  - The two communities in question equate to a city the size of Keizer.
  - The process now is to schedule the two town halls, a telephone town hall, we want to field questions and educate the community.
  - Two public hearings will be held, a week later, the Board could adopt.
  - Goal is to adopt this by June 30.
  - This will be on property tax bills.
  - It could take a year or two to ramp the service up to properly staff.
  - Glen said you need deputies assigned to stay in these areas.
  - Sheriff said we'd have the vehicles marked to identify them as East Salem Service District.
  - Glen is concerned about apartments, nursing homes, etc.
  - He supports the fee and believes his neighbors will as well. Marilyn (ESSNA) agreed.
  - Glen believes having the cars marked will provide accountability.
  - Glen asked to be involved in town hall meeting.
  - Karl is interested in the types of calls for service for the areas. Commander Hlad said these two communities are urban type policing

areas. More pedestrians, low speed crashes, small business concerns, suspicious activity calls.

- Lighting concerns on Rickey/Mcleay were mentioned by Herb.
- Terry asked about training; Cmdr. Hlad said base training is the same, but as the deputies are assigned to specific areas, they get to know the types of calls that they will need to respond to.
- Glen said that the deputy per resident ration should read “Marion County” not “Hayesville & Four Corners.”
- Karl made a **MOTION** to support this movement, the materials and town halls. Herb seconded. All aye; none opposed. **Passed**
- Herb asked if insurance rates could be affected.
- Marilyn asked for locations for town halls. Sheriff said one at Chemeketa, one at Houck, possibly telephone town hall.
- We will communicate all meetings to this group.

#### 4) **Roundtable Community Issues –**

**Terry** - Asked if homeless camp cleanout has affected the county. It has affected county; the individuals have complex issues; disrupting one camp doesn't solve the problem. Homeless Task force is attempting to pick apart the issues.

**Karl** – nothing

**Debrea** – nothing

**Herb** – mentioned lighting issue. Talked about two deputies who had a positive interaction with a group of kids near the Lancaster Mall.

**Shelley** – It's been a good winter in Detroit; lake has been changing. Mark Messmer sold his home in Detroit and recommended Shelley to this group. She would accept a position on the committee.

**Marilyn** – nothing from ESSNA.

**Glen** – 45<sup>th</sup> between Ward and Silverton lighting concerns. There are two lights on that stretch – Silverton Rd and Satter Dr. Marilyn suggested contacting Michael Johnson who has been working on this type of issue. He was told he had to form a service district. Offered to take flyers around the neighborhood in support.

**Commander Lorance** – Retiring in July; May will be her last meeting.

**US Clausen** – Cmdr. Lorance's departure is a great loss; she's been a great asset to the Office. Thanked her for her service. Radio Upgrade – these are crucial to our

operations. We had a catastrophic failure to our system a few years ago; the system was antiquated; and supported by purchase from Ebay. We took a host of information to the county and were able to create a phased process for improvements. Phase one and two are complete. Phase three is being discussed; we may relocate equipment or enter into a long term agreement or build our own tower. Channel 3 is functional; Channel 1 isn't working properly and there are equipment issues that are on a third party vendor timeline. Looking to upgrade CDO tower and add a tower at Aurora water tower (dead spot). These upgrades should last 20-25 years. Herb asked about consolidation. METCOM wants to add frequencies (total would be 7); this is just a preliminary discussion. USC still thinks consolidation is the way to go.

**Commader Hlad** – appreciates everyone's support on this service district. This is a huge step forward for our office.

**Sheriff Myers** – The support of the community means a lot to the members of this office.

**Sgt. Hickam** – added that this new direction will allow us to be more proactive in these areas. It's a great booster for the community and for the deputies who get to work there. Ownership will be special. LEAD program – law enforcement assisted diversion. The approach is trying to get at basic needs for individuals, deal with warrants, any new charges. Lancaster corridor will be focus for MCSO; City of Salem will focus on downtown. Specialized training; navigator will be assisting deputies. LEAD team will meet bi-weekly to discuss cases. **Karl asked for a report on LEAD at the September meeting.**

**Gary** – theft from businesses has been an issue.

**Sheriff** – Title 3 funding – federal forest lands \$500,000 hasn't been able to be spent. There is a bill that is about to pass that would allow us to expend the funds (possible forest patrol deputy). Asked US Clausen to provide an update on Radio System.

Glen thanked the Sheriff's Office staff for participating in this committee.

2018 Future Meeting Dates:

5/8

9/18

11/20 – Requested items: LEAD program update;

Adjourned at 7:43