

GRIFFITH PUBLIC SAFETY BOARD

April 6, 2023

The Griffith Safety Board was called to order by Chairman George Jerome at 6:30 P.M.

Those in Attendance

George Jerome	Griffith Safety Board Chairman
Liz Goral	Griffith Safety Board Vice Chairman
RoAnn Purgert	Griffith Safety Board Secretary
Phil Vechey	Griffith Safety Board Member
Sue Katona	Griffith Safety Board Member
Rick Ryfa	Town Council Police Department Liaison – Absent
Melissa Robbins	Town Council Fire Department Liaison – Absent

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance. The following items were discussed:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of March 2, 2023 Minutes
PSB Member Goral made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2023 Public Safety Board Meeting as presented.
PSB Member Katona seconded the motion.
Motion carried 5 – 0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. New Attorney Appointment by Town Council – Welcome
The Safety Board welcomed their new legal representation, Christian W. Bartholomew, Attorney at Law, with the law firm of Burke Costanza and Carberry.

COMMUNICATIONS / REPORTS

1. Griffith Police Department
Chief Mance read the monthly report for February 2023.
2. Griffith Fire Department
Chief Schoon read the monthly reports for February 2023.
3. Griffith F.O.P. Lodge #161
There was no Griffith F.O.P. Lodge #161 representative present.
4. VEST
There was no VEST representative present.
5. Town Council Liaison
There was no Town Council Liaison present.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no matters of "Old Business."

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval and Adoption of Griffith Police:
 - a. Policy 307 Vehicle Pursuits
 - b. Policy 308 Foot Pursuits
 - c. Policy 309 Officer Response to Calls
 - d. Policy 313 Child Abuse
 - e. Policy 314 Adult Abuse
 - f. Policy 317 Public Alerts
 - g. Policy 1010 Personnel Complaints
 - h. Policy 1030 Speech, Expression and Social Networking
 - i. Policy 1032 Line of Duty Deaths

PSB Member Goral made a motion to approve and adopt Griffith Police Department Policies 307, 308, 309, 313, 314, 317, 1010, 1030, and 1032 listed above and as presented.

PSB Member Vechey seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

2. Griffith Police – Approval to auction two (2) surplus vehicles, and one (1) truck bed storage box; specifically:
 - a. A 2013 Dodge Charger with approximately 85,909 miles;
 - b. A 2005 Chevrolet Impala with approximately 107,849 miles; and
 - c. A Dee Zee brand black 48" x 20" used truck bed storage box.

PSB Member Vechey made a motion to approve the auction of two (2) surplus vehicles and one (1) truck bed storage box as listed above.

PSB Member Purgert seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

3. Griffith Police Department seeks approval to purchase one Dodge Durango PPV

PSB Member Katona made a motion to approve the purchase of a Dodge Durango PPV by the Griffith Police Department.

PSB Member Vechey seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

4. Griffith Fire Department is requesting approval to hire the following candidates as probationary firefighters:
 - a. Jack Scanlon – Station 31
 - b. Edgar Delgado – Station 31
 - c. Johnathan Gibson – Station 32
 - d. Kyle Gora – Station 33
 - e. Isaiah Garcia – Station 33
 - f. John Carruthers – Station 33
 - g. Eric Damjanovic – Station 33

PSB Member Goral made a motion to approve the hiring of seven (7) probationary firefighters; specifically, those listed above.

PSB Member Purgert seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

Fire Chief Schon thanked the Safety Board for their assistance with interviews and staffing of the Griffith Fire Department.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no questions/comments received from the floor.

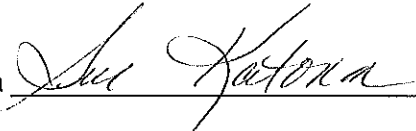
ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 P.M.

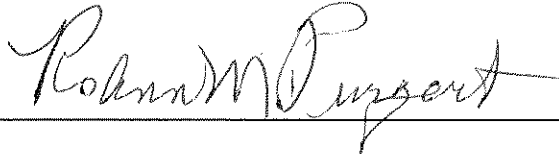
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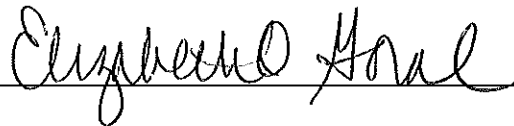
Sue Katona



RoAnn Purgert



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