

**MINUTES**  
**MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION**  
**OF THE CITY OF EASTVALE**

**Tuesday, May 27, 2014**

**4:30 P.M.**

**Rosa Parks Elementary, 13830 Whispering Hills Drive, Eastvale, CA 92880**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:** 4:32 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Commissioners Present – Commissioners Cruse, Randall, and Vice-Chairperson Kiltz.

Commissioners Absent – Commissioner Johnson

Staff Members Present – City Manager Jacobs, Lieutenant Yates, Fire Chief Williams, Management Analyst Rowe, Traffic Engineer Semon, and Recording Secretary Wuence.

The Pledge of Allegiance was presented by Vice-Chairman Kiltz.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT/CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:**

Chris Hook, a resident, noted concern about water tankers from nearby construction that use the fire hydrants at the corner of Wells Springs and Schleisman. The large hoses attached to the tankers are left in the roadway and cars have to swerve to avoid them, creating an unsafe environment in the mornings for children going VanderMolen Elementary School.

Staff would check with inspectors to find out if the tankers are permitted to use the hydrants and leave hoses across the roadway and follow up with Mr. Hook.

**4. NEW BUSINESS:**

**4.1 Selection of New Chairperson.**

Recommendation: Select new Chairperson for Public Safety Commission.

**Motion: Moved by Kiltz, seconded by Randall to appoint Commissioner Cruse as Chairperson.**

**Motion carried 3-0-1 with Randall, Cruse, and Kiltz voting aye and Johnson absent.**

Vice-Chairperson Kiltz noted that he is stepping down from the Commission and this would be his last meeting as he and his family are moving out of the county.

Chairperson Cruse introduced the newest Commissioner, Albert Randall. Commissioner Randall noted that he is a resident of Eastvale since 2008. He is a

retired Air Force Officer and Aerospace Executive. He is a non-practicing physician and President of the Norco-Eastvale Rotary.

**5. MINUTES:**

**5.1 Minutes – March 25, 2014 Meeting.**

Recommendation: Approve the minutes from the March 25, 2014 Meeting.

**Motion: Moved by Cruse, seconded by Kiltz, to approve the minutes as presented.**

**Motion carried 3-0-1 with Randall, Cruse, and Kiltz voting aye and Johnson absent.**

**6. TRAFFIC CONCERNS:**

**6.1 Monthly Police Department Update.**

Recommendation: Receive and file.

City Manager Jacobs provided the staff report for the item.

Lieutenant Yates noted that the numbers from the last DUI operation were reviewed and he noted that only 1 DUI arrest had been made. In addition to DUI checkpoints, police “chase” cars drive in the area during the operation looking for possible drivers under the influence. He noted that recent legislation allows the City to recover costs of \$649.00 from DUI drivers that are involved in traffic collisions.

Lieutenant Yates noted that from January through April there were 147 traffic collisions, with 64 reports taken. He noted that the new CrossRoads program would be used to track all traffic collisions in the City, including historical statistics.

Lieutenant Yates noted that the investigation into the recent hit and run pedestrian fatality was ongoing and there are great leads being followed. The Police Department would be handing out flyers on May 29 to drivers at the location of the incident at approximately the same time the incident occurred. The flyers would make the public aware of a possible witness to the accident and hopefully the witness would come forward.

There have been 55 marijuana grow houses in the last two years. The last one discovered was May 14. Prior to that, the amount of grow houses being discovered were 2-3 per week, indicating the numbers have gone down significantly. It appears the group running the operations is working out of the San Gabriel Valley area and 17 persons have been taken into custody. The focus of the SET team and the City is to get the grow operations out of Eastvale. The homes are primarily rental homes and the recently implemented Rental

Registration Program requires property owners to inspect property with City staff and annually certify that the property is being used as a rental home. Chairperson Cruse requested that the PowerPoint presentation Lieutenant Yates uses at Town Hall meetings with warning signs of marijuana grow houses be added to the City website.

Vice-Chairperson Kiltz noted that there have been complaints about speed and recent traffic collisions on River Road crossing over the bridge at Baron Drive. He requested Police have a stronger presence in that area to enforce speed limits.

## 6.2 **Rosa Parks Elementary Speed Sign Update.**

Recommendation: Receive and file.

City Manager Jacobs provided the staff report for the item. An application for a Safe Routes to School grant for \$479,000 has been submitted. It would put traffic control devices throughout the City, including signalized crossings, radar speed signs, a traffic signal, and bike lanes. The bike lanes would run on Scholar Way between Limonite and Citrus, on Citrus between Scholar Way and Sumner, and on Harrison between Limonite and Schleisman.

## 7. ***NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH:***

### 7.1 **Ready Eastvale Campaign.**

Recommendation: Provide direction on the Ready Eastvale Campaign.

Management Analyst Rowe provided the staff update for the item. The City was awarded a grant for \$10,207 to hold Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) classes. CERT classes for Eastvale have been tentatively scheduled for July and September.

Chairperson Cruse noted that she would like to tie in the Neighborhood Watch Groups to the Ready Eastvale campaign. There was discussion about creating a Citizens Committee to serve as a link between Neighborhood Watch Groups and the Public Safety Commission.

It was decided that staff would create a list of recommended programs based on the Laguna Niguel Readiness model, create an updated map of Neighborhood Watch zones and present a formal program to the Commission. Once the Commission approves the Neighborhood Watch/Ready Eastvale Campaign, a request for volunteers could be sent out.

## 8. ***EMERGENCY OPERATIONS:***

There were no Emergency Operations Items.

## 9. ***COMMUNITY OUTREACH FOR CRIME PREVENTION:***

9.1 **Public Safety, Crime Prevention And Traffic Related Communications.**

Recommendation: Receive and file.

City Manager Jacobs provided the staff report for this item. She noted that there have been 27 posts promoting crime and fire prevention and safety in the last month to social media by Public Information Officer Nissen. The City is working with JCSD, CNUSD and Inland Empire Bicycle Alliance on creating a Public Relations campaign for schools and parents regarding bicycle safety. A Bicycle Rodeo event is planned for schools as well. The campaign is expected to be in place before the beginning of the next school year.

Resident Chris Hook noted that his contact at helmet manufacturer Shoei had retired and he was unable to request helmet donations for the Bicycle Rodeo. City Manager Jacobs would contact the Inland Empire Bicycle Alliance to inquire about possible helmet donations.

City Manager Jacobs noted that the City's Facebook page draws a lot of public comments and information about traffic accidents or concerns and general safety issues.

**10. CITY STAFF REPORT:**

There was no City Staff report.

**11. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS:**

Vice-Chairperson Kiltz thanked staff, police and the fire department for all their efforts and support.

Commissioner Randall noted that he was pleased to join the Commission and get involved.

Chairperson Cruse thanked Vice-Chairperson Kiltz for the hard work he put into the community and the Commission.

**12. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

*Submitted by Margo Wuence, Recording Secretary  
Reviewed and edited by Carol Jacobs, City Manager/City Clerk*