

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado, February 24, 2005

Minutes of a Regular meeting of the **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE** of the Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado. Meeting held in the Municipal Building in said Town of Estes Park on the 24th day of February, 2005.

Committee: Chairman Newsom, Trustees Doyle and Pinkham

Attending: All

Also Attending: Town Administrator Repola, Deputy Clerk Williamson, Police Chief Richardson, Fire Chief Dorman, Officer Reeves

Absent: None

Chairman Newsom called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Reports.

- **Estes Valley Victim Advocates.** Exe. Dir. Mary Mesropian presented the 2004 Annual Report:
 - Program Overview. Provide advocacy to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, other crimes and trauma. Advocates are available 24/7. Advocates support victim through crisis, medical exams, law enforcement interviews and the court process. They also provide information on victim's rights, cycle of violence, victim's compensation, and the legal process.
 - Objective. Advocates provide services at the time of the incident assessing safety, options, and stability. Victims are offered individual counseling and support groups. EVVA collaborates with Crossroads Safehouse, Alternatives to Violence, Larimer Center for Mental Health and Sexual Assault Victim Advocates.
 - Innovative Actions.
 - Surveyed high school students –and the #2 concern is the rape drug.
 - “Nice Girls Inc.” is a 5th grade girls group which focuses on bullying.
 - Sexual Assault Advocates will perform a play for high school students in April.
 - In 2004, 5 Victim Empathy classes were conducted with 15 participants.
 - Issues. Offering services to the Spanish community has been difficult because they tend to reach out to each other as a support group. Services to this community may continue without maintaining a staff member fluent in the Spanish language.
 - Future Objective.
 - Advocates will continue to be available 24/7.
 - Individual counseling and support groups.
 - Educate community and school students.
 - 2004 Statistics.
 - 287 first contacts and 1187 total contacts.
 - 756 Advocate hours.

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- **Board of Evaluators Presentation.** Officer Reeves presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Neighborhood Portfolio:
 - Demographics.
 - Cultural Communities. Growing Hispanic and retirement communities.
 - Crime. CBI 2003 statistics indicates alcohol related incidents are greater than any other crime.
 - Problem Solving. SARA model (Scanning, Analysis, Response, and Assessment). Scanning to find the problem, analyze and formulate a plan, respond and execute a plan and assess and evaluate the plan.
 - Community Groups. There are approximately 11 community groups in Estes Park that help improve the community and quality of life.
 - Schools. Reviewed enrollment and evacuation plans for the elementary, intermediate, middle and high schools.
 - Resources. Larimer County Sheriff, Health, Clerk and Recorder, and Mental Health and Town of Estes Park departments.
 - Officer Reeves is planning a program called “Lock It Up”. This program will educate the community on theft prevention.
 - The Committee commended Officer Reeves for his presentation.

- **Copier Purchase.** Chief Richardson reported Toshiba was the only vendor that could provide all the specifications needed for the department. A new Toshiba copier will be purchased with the \$10,000 as previously approved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for Emergency Management – Request Approval. Fire Chief Dorman reported the Town of Estes Park and Larimer County currently have an Automatic Response and Mutual Aid Agreement for fire and other emergencies that endanger life or property. The State of Colorado and the Federal Office of Domestic Preparedness require agencies who receive funding for the prevention and response to terrorism or natural disasters to have in place an IGA, to allow for the sharing of resources that are provided through the funding. The IGA for Emergency Management has been reviewed and approved by Town Attorney White, Police Chief Richardson, and Fire Chief Dorman.

The Committee recommends approval of the IGA between the Town of Estes Park and Larimer County for the sharing of Emergency Management resources.

Reports.

- Burn trailer has arrived. This trailer was purchased with assistance from a firefighter grant with a 90/10 match.

MISCELLANEOUS

Administrator Repola reported 60 Minutes is questioning the use of a fitness and wellness grant the Fire Department received. Suzy Blackhurst has responded directly to 60 Minutes.

Trustee Pinkham stated that the Police Department seminar on 2/22 was exceptional and questioned the next step. Chief Richardson stated the department will implement zone policing beginning March 1st. The department's next step is to develop police/customer communication. Trustee Pinkham stated Estes Park is fortunate to have a Police and Fire department that are willing to improve the level of service.

Administrator Repola stated departments are working on performance metrics that identifies the customer and what services the Town is providing them. The Town has

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reached a point where the growth in population is greater than sales tax; therefore services need to be prioritized in order to provide good customer service.

There being no further business, Chairman Newsom adjourned the meeting at 9:18 a.m.

Jackie Williamson, Deputy Town Clerk