



CITY OF ATWATER

CITY PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

10:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Crabb, Faul

Members Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Hawthorne, Banks, Wellman, Feathers, Lamison

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The notice to the public was read.

No one came forward at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes for the meeting of November 18, 2008.

MOTION:

Faul moved to approve the minutes for the meeting of November 18, 2008. Crabb seconded the motion and the motion carried.

REPORTS:

Report from Police Chief

Police Chief Hawthorne gave an update on the arrest for the month of November, 2008 there were 187 arrests for the month of November, which is down from last month and brings the total for the year to 2,764. Hawthorne also reported on the status of the remodel for the police department. The female locker room should be completed in approximately 3 weeks, the new patrol room should be completed in approximately 3 weeks also. There will be a meeting regarding the conversion of the new dispatch center on January 16, with an install date of the last week of January.

Report from Fire Chief

Battalion Chief Banks reported that the incidents for the month of November, 2008 there was 1 fire call, 67 EMS/Rescue calls, 2 Hazardous Condition calls, 7 Service Calls, 28 Good Intent calls and 5 false calls. Banks advised the committee that there was a glitch in the program that kept track of the number of calls and he would advise the committee of the new numbers when they became available. Banks also stated that 5 reserve candidates are undergoing medical exams at this time and Driver Operator training should begin in January of 2009. This will bring the total of reserves to 19.

Report from City Council Members

None

BUSINESS:

The discussion of a Moratorium on the Fire Inspection fees was conducted and Committee Member Faul motioned to leave it as is at this time. Committee Member Crabb seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The discussion of adding the Cal Fire logo to Atwater City Fire Vehicles was conducted and Committee Member Faul motioned to leave the vehicles as is at this time. Committee Member Crabb seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Committee Member Crabb wanted to give acknowledgement to the Street Crimes Unit for the good job that they are doing.

Committee Member Crabb wanted to state that the turn out for the Neighborhood Watch meeting in November had a good turn out and wanted to acknowledge Officer Melton on the good job that he's doing in coordinating these meetings.

City Manager Wellman wanted to advise the committee that he would be out of town doing interviews for a new Fire Chief in Mariposa on December 22, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 P.M.

Next meeting will be January 13, 2009 at 10:00 A.M..

Respectfully Submitted:

TYNA LAMISON,
COMMITTEE SECRETARY