

SUMMARY MINUTES FOR THE POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

April 9th, 2019

Chairperson Greg Rubel called the Police Community Relations Committee meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., at Moyewood Recreation & Cultural Center, Greenville, NC.

INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chairperson Greg Rubel asked for roll call.

Committee members present:

Greg Rubel, Chairperson, District 3
Scott Snyder, District 4
Gregory Barrett, District 1
Betsy Ray, Mayoral

City Staff Members present:

Sgt. Dale Mills
Billie Jo Viverette
Lt. Kolenya Thomas
Devinder Culver

Excused Absence

Carol Ann Bass, District 5
Dr. Louis Warren, At-Large
Lennard Naipaul, District 2

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Scott Snyder made a motion; seconded by Gregory Barrett. The agenda was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion was made by Scott Snyder; seconded by Gregory Barrett. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Greg read the mission statement. Greg introduced Monica Daniels, City Councilwoman of District 1; Sgt. Dale Mills, and Billie Jo Viverette. Greg asked the Police Citizens Academy to introduce themselves.

Gregory Barrett explained that the several speakers were here tonight to talk about what assistance is available to citizens that have been arrested. He stated that he wanted to inform citizens of the various organizations that can assist citizens to become productive citizens.

Gregory introduced Lt. K.Z. Thomas, Greenville Police Dept., Judge Teague, Clay Roberson with PORT Health Services, and Pitt County District Attorney Faris Dixon.

Lt. K.Z. Thomas talked about how officers see some criminals repeat the same crime over and over; but she also spoke about how the Greenville Police Department works with several agencies to come up with ideas to prevent recidivism.

Judge Lee Teague discussed the Drug Treatment Court in Pitt County, which he presides over. He discussed details of the program, explaining how it is for criminals that have some form of addiction. He explained how the program works to help the individuals get treatment and counseling that could possibly help them to live a successful life of recovery.

Clay Roberson, licensed professional counselor and clinical addiction specialist with PORT Health Services, stated that he supervises the counselor that works with the Drug Treatment Court. He discussed PORT Health Services and how they work with the Drug Treatment program.

There was discussion on the STRIVE program, which is a job training development program. On April 23rd from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. the STRIVE program coordinators are going to be at Third Street School in Greenville to provide counseling and assistance to families in need.

Pitt County D.A. Faris Dixon discussed how district attorney's office works with several agencies to prevent recidivism.

Capt. J.C. Williams talked about the great partnership that the police have with the mental health community. He encouraged everyone to inform the police department of repeat offenders so that maybe the officers can work with them to get help.

It was mentioned that the group Gamblers Anonymous has meetings at St. James Church.

After a few questions were asked a motion was made for adjournment by Scott Snyder, seconded by Gregory Barrett.

Meeting adjourned.