Law Enforcement Advisory Board Meeting APRIL 10, 2019

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X Paul Soptick
Patrick Dunn
X Scott Mackey
X Reed Partridge
Lee Brown
Lt Col Bob Gunja
Dixie Kaster
Don Jolley
X Tony Carter
Maria Cecilia Ysaac
Terry Zeigler
X Tyrone Garner
Irene Caudillo
X Don Ash
Mary Hopkins
Kelli Bailiff
X Joan DeMoss
Carol Diehl
Dan Soptic
Jeffry Fewell
Michael York
Terry Brockman
Curtis Nicholson
X Kevin Steele
David Thaxton
Lynn Melton
X JONAS CRUZ
Cherish Cho

Tony Carter opened the meeting at 4:00pm

Reed presented the things he was working on for the month including, Security Guards, RFP for body cameras for the PD, and the screening of personnel for carry of weapons.

Sheriff Ash

The department has 3 deputies at KLETC in Hutchinson Kansas and will graduate May 10th.

The staffing level is at a critical shortage. The current class will graduate on April 11 at 6:00pm. There are 5 deputies set to graduate.

The Sheriff’s department will be sending 10 rank and file members to National Police Week in Washington DC along with members of Deputies Rohrer and King families.

The department is working on a memorial for Rohrer and King to be held on June 14th.
They are processing 4 applicants for the next class starting in the middle of May with 20 positions still open.

Discussed the death at Big 11 Lake that was due to an overdose of meth. Person was released from prison recently with a long record.

Kevin Steele asked what the board could do to help the hiring issues for all Law Enforcement.

Tony carter had to leave to a previous engagement at 4:32

Lt Col Garner for Chief Zeigler

The PD has 38 vacancies as of today with 4 in the Police Academy set to graduate in July.

The PD is also sending a contingent to Washington DC for National Police Week.

Operation Lateral Storm has been a success and Maj Vivion will give a press release about the operation on Channel 5 soon.

The PD has shortages in dispatch, and the possibility of additional 40 officers retiring soon. Lt Col Garner is to retire in June as well as Major Nicholson.

Adjourned 5:02pm

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