

**CITY OF STANWOOD
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

May 27, 2021

LOCATION:

The Public Safety Committee meeting was held via ZOOM meeting.

ATTENDANCE:

- City Councilmember – Dianne White
- City Councilmember – Steve Shepro
- City Councilmember – Darren Robb
- Stanwood Police – Chief Rob Martin
- North County Regional Fire – Chief John Cermak
- City Administrator – Jennifer Ferguson
- City Attorney – Brett Vinson
- City Clerk- Sara Robinson

AGENDA:

1. Title 9 discussion
2. Fire Quarterly Report
3. Add-on item: Review of Snohomish County Animal Control Transport Services ILA

CALLED TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm

DISCUSSION:

- Chief Martin provided an update on SB 5476, which was signed into law by the Governor on May 13th. The bill addressed the State Supreme Court decision (State v. Blake) regarding simple possession of a controlled substance. SB 5467 changed simple possession from a class C felony to a misdemeanor crime. Law enforcement officers are now required, in lieu of jail booking and referral to the prosecutor, to offer a referral to assessment and services on the first and second offenses. The Snohomish County Prosecutor recommended consultation with our attorney regarding the adoption of a local parallel ordinance, so long as it complies with the new RCW. Chief Martin, after consulting with the City Attorney, discussed options for amending sections of SMC Title 9 relating to narcotics and drug paraphernalia. The City Attorney recommended moving toward a model ordinance which adopts by reference certain sections of RCW 69. Committee members directed staff to draft the changes and present during an upcoming meeting.
- Chief Martin presented Committee members with the 2021-2025 Snohomish County Animal Control Transport Services interlocal agreement. Chief Martin described the service provided

through the agreement and the frequency of use over the past three years. Committee members discussed the agreement and recommended it be forwarded for full Council consideration.

- Chief Cermak discussed the quarterly report, service levels and response times. Chief Cermak discussed Arlington Mayor Tolbert's work toward building an integrated mental health program. He gave an update on vaccination status for his station. Councilmember White praised Community Resource Paramedic Darin Reid for his work with the mass vaccination sites.
- Councilmember Shepro inquired about the ability to return to in-person council meeting. Jennifer Ferguson stated we are still following state guidelines and are waiting on an update from Labor and Industries.
- Meeting adjourned at 5:41 pm