

Chairman Jose Garcia called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Committee members Mark Gomolski and Hector Ramirez were also present. Also present were Council Representatives Manuel Gutierrez and Roy Barron and City Representatives Mark Morgan and Lilly Alarcon-Strong. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Minutes

Mark G. moved and Hector seconded to approve minutes of the September 17 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Jose and Mark G. stated Chief Edmiston reached out to the Committee, after the September meeting, and thanked them and the audience for their professionalism and again encouraged everyone to participate in a ride along with the police department.

Hector and Mark G. also encouraged the audience to participate in a ride along, stating the experience is very eye opening and offers a very real appreciation to what law enforcement and first responders go through on a daily basis.

1st Annual Armand Larive VIP Day

Maria Duron stated the School District is inviting parents and the community to Armand Larive VIP Day on October 17th and February 6th from 8:45am to 11:00am. VIP day will allow community members the opportunity to see what kind of learning is going on, how and what different kinds of technology is being used and how teaching has changed over the years. Members of the community who participate will also hear from the Superintendent, Principal, and Teachers, and will be able to ask questions as well. The High School will also be hosting a VIP day later this month. Must be registered prior to attending.

Hermiston School District Updates

- Linkage Fair- October 25th at 5pm at Sunset Elementary School. This event is specifically designed for special needs children and their families and will hosts many different agencies with specific programs and resources within the community. Participants are encouraged to dress up in Halloween costumes and collect treats
- No school on October 26th
- Parent Teacher Conferences first week in November
- Fun Run on October 27th- More information is available on the School Districts website
- Family Health Associates Wellness Center- Available for students (with guardians written consent), staff and staff dependents.
- Desert View hosting a Trunk-or-Treat on Oct 30th from 6:30pm to 7:30pm
- Students at Highland Hills Elementary School will be going to the Pumpkin Patch
- Sandstone will host their band and choir concert on October 18th
- Let's Do Breakfast Oregon- HSD will be participating in this Food Services Program Challenge which encourages students to eat breakfast every day. This specific contest has each district in Oregon competing against each other to see how eats the most breakfast in the month of November. The top four winners will receive cash prizes. Umatilla won last year. Please make sure students eat FREE breakfast at school or at home.

Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services

Bernie Sanderson stated she will be hosting a group therapy service meeting Tuesdays at Agape House from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. These meetings are designed to foster a safe place where women and children can speak/share their experiences and help regain power over their life. The group also welcomes those with drug and alcohol addictions. Pamphlets will be also be available, at meetings, with local specialized resources to aid those seeking professional help.

Bernie gave information regarding:

- Local Sex offender Registry and registry's with comparable city's
- Sexual assault statistics with murder and suicide rates for:
 - Women
 - Children
 - Transgender people
 - Ethnic groups
 - Military personnel
- Parents and those with ties to victims are usually the biggest threat, people who are trusted the most, specifically dealing with children victims
- Generational elements that influence males and females and the importance of parental involvement and teaching children and adult respect and boundaries

Closing Comments

Public Comment

Mr. Sanchez stated he has elderly parents who have issues with water accumulation on their property from street overflow and asked who he would speak with regarding this issue.

Assistant City Manager Morgan stated he would speak with him after the meeting.

Nazario Rivera, stated Good Shephard Health Care will host a community meeting on Wednesday, October 24th from 5:00pm to 8:00pm, free dinner will be provided, please register if you would like to attend. GSHC will also be hosting a Flu Shot Clinic and Health Fair with raffle prizes for those who attend.

Virgina Garcia-Rome, 435 E Sunset- Encouraged the community to vote on November 6th.

City Representatives

Assistant City Manager Morgan gave information regarding:

- Water and Recycled Water Rates restructuring with specific information regarding the Public Infrastructure Committee meetings; developing an infrastructure plan for water, sewer and streets; restructuring rates which took two years to complete
- Water tower is moving forward in the NE area of City
- Street improvements- Newport park, 5th an
- d 6th street paving improvements- Hermiston ave- 1st place to 10th st
- Application to safe route to school grants. Off street ne10th by sandstone middle school-
- October additional ½ time code enforcement

City Recorder Lilly Alarcon-Strong gave information regarding:

- Water Safety Project Partnership with School District
- General Election- November 6, 2018
- Free Yard Debris Permits
- EOTEC---Fall Fest & Open House Thursday, Oct 18th 5:30pm to 7:00pm at EOTEC

Councilors Gutierrez and Barron gave information regarding:

- The many resources and literature available at the public Library

Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 19, 2018 at 7:00pm at City Hall.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:01pm.