

City of Dunedin, FL Public Safety Committee Meeting  
Thursday, August 15, 2019 @ 10 a.m.  
Fire Administration Building  
1042 Virginia Street  
Dunedin, FL

Call to Order: 10:10 a.m.

In Attendance:

Jim Short

Robert Ramer

Gary Duff

Simon Royer

Michael Yatsko

Asst. Fire Chief Erich Thiemann

Deputy Bryan Bingham

Deputy Heather Harris

Deputy Michael Smalley

In the absence of Stacy Rush & Robert Bellevance, Jim Short chaired the PSC meeting

Request From The City: T. Smalling advised of City Commission Workshop on 08202019, including the PCSO contract as an agenda item

Approval of November 2018 & July 2019 Minutes: Motion to table; approval made by RR; 2<sup>nd</sup> SR, vote passed

Draft Agenda Adoption – Accepted

Reports:

Fire Chief's Monthly Report – AFC E. Thiemann highlighted completion of safety inspections for park events & Dunedin Stadium construction, as well as training, including NCT joint operation.

PCSO Update – Deputies Bingham, Harris & Smalley reviewed crime statistics, addressed previous PSC public comment issues including loose dogs in parks (a citation issued and a single instance per trail camera documentation – this issue is being monitored appropriately) and Pinellas trail usage violations (weekly CPO bike patrolling to inform & cite as necessary) Use of the PCSO non-emergency telephone number recommended for possible violation notification on-site. [ PCSO Non-Emergency # 727-582-6200]

Committee Member Update – R. Ramer noted that while there are no currently scheduled performances of S.A.G.E.S. "Denying Gravity", a documentary of the play & group, "Saving Claire: The Story of Denying Gravity" will be presented throughout Pinellas County beginning in September, 2019

([www.thrivinginplace.net](http://www.thrivinginplace.net) for information)

No Chairpersons Update

Unfinished Business:

Filling the Secretary seat: Motion to table approval made by RR; 2<sup>nd</sup> SR, vote passed

Scooters / Golf Carts: G. Duff / J. Short / R. Ramer / T. Smalling / PCSO Deputies  
- Discussion involved update on Commission approved golf cart regulations & Bass Blvd/Main St access, ongoing issues concerning cart registration, parking, owner regulations understanding & obeisance. Similar issues concerning micromobility vehicles within Dunedin, including current private & future commercially rented e-scooters, because of a lack of specific, active ordinances to enforce, as well as significant public issues regarding safety equipment, vehicle operation and defined liability for incidents/accidents. It was agreed that this is a public safety concern that will remain as an ongoing agenda item for the PSC.

Planning & Development – City's Comprehensive Plan / Transportation Element:  
No further information at this time.

New Business: (None)

Alert Pinellas – R. Ramer had not received any updates from PC Emergency Mgt concerning increased sign-ups for Alert Pinellas in Dunedin – PC Emergency Mgt to be recontacted to provide for future meetings.

September Agenda:

E-scooter Regulation & Ordinances (Policies & Practices)

Hurricane Awareness

Public Comment; None

Committee Member Comments: No further comments

Adjourned: Motion to adjourn SR/2<sup>nd</sup> RR, voted to approve

End Time: 10:52 a.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 10:00 a.m.