



**Valley**

**Community Policing Council**

**March 28, 2024**

Approximately 13 members of the public attended, including APD civilians and council members on Zoom

In-person – 17 members including council members, APD, and CPC staff.

CPC members present: Tom O’Keefe, Edwina Kiro, Jaqueline Ritz, Philip Jameson, Dick Winterbottom, Deirdre Ewing

CPC members not present:

- 1. Call to order- 6:03 PM**
- 2. Approval of February Agenda- Approved**
- 3. Approval of January Minutes – Approved**
- 4. Emergency Communication Center (911) Erica Wilson and ACS Jodie Esquibel**
  - Primary 911 calls go to the police first to screen for safety.
  - The fire department has its own 911 center, and calls get transferred for car crashes, medical and house fires, etc.
  - APD 911 center takes 1.1 million calls annually and, 300,050 are from 242- 2677 (cops). The 911 calls are the first to be answered.
  - There are two positions 911 operator and dispatch
    - Takes all inbound and inserts info into the dispatch system and the call will come up automatically in the area command that would be responding.
    - The new hires spend seven weeks in a classroom and, whether they get hired as a 911 or as a dispatcher they train with a trainer for another four months.
    - New hires would need to get state-certified within three weeks to be certified telecommunicators in NM because NM is a state that requires certification.
    - The new hires curriculum is twenty hours of mental health training, first aid mental health training, and House Bill 93 training which are both required.
    - The minimum requirement is an associate or bachelor's degree.
    - Customer service background, typing test of 35 WPM net, critical test, and background review. They do not do polygraphs or psychological tests. The background check is similar to an officer's background check.

- At the end of January 2024, ACS dispatch moved from fire dispatch to APD dispatch.
  - They can be dispatched 24-7
- There are forty-four vacancies, but they do have seven people set to hire by the end of the month.

#### **5. Valley Area Commander Nick Wheeler's crime update**

- New VA Crime Prevention Specialist Britney Martinez
- The website where he gets the crime report is down.
- Auto burglaries are higher than last year.
- Commercial and residential burglaries are higher than last year.
- They arrested an individual who might be responsible for 75% of burglaries at storage unit facilities.

#### **6. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 PM**

To watch the Valley CPC March Council Meeting, please click the link below:

Topic: Valley Community Policing Council

Date: March 28, 2024, 06:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

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