

# BOWIE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE!



## Minutes of the July 27, 2022 (Virtual Meeting)

**Meeting called to order:** 7:33 pm by the Chair

### **Attendance:**

Del Billings, Chair  
Jackie Rhone, Member  
Bill Grayson, Member  
Jill Hochman, Vice Chair  
Jeffrey Cooper, Member  
Langston Clay, Member  
Ronnie Gill, Member  
Bill Healy, Member

### **Excused:**

### **Ad Hoc Members**

Deputy Chief Preston, BPD  
Council Member Ingrid Harrison  
Capt. Rachael Jefferson, BPD

### **Guests**

Tameka Washington  
Peggy Higgins, Chair, Greenbelt PSC  
Mary Thomas, Greenbelt PSC

**Approval of June Minutes:** Motion made by Jill and seconded by Bill H. to accept the minutes was made. Approved.

### **Reports:**

#### **City Council-Council Member Ingrid Harrison**

- Discussion of speed monitoring cameras as passed by the State

#### **Bowie Volunteer Fire Department- Chief Havens (report made by Del Billings)**

- Tower 39 is still OOS
- Staffing during the summer is difficult
- Several potential recruits have expressed an interest

#### **Greenbelt Public Safety Committee-Peggy Higgins, Chair**

- Introduced Mary Thomas, Member and herself
- Discussed the Greenbelt PSC
- Invited Bowie PSC to their October meeting

#### **Police Department Report – Deputy Chief Dwayne Preston**

- Provided a detailed briefing on the Strategic Plan for the next 3 years
- 3 Car jackings have occurred in the past couple of weeks. 2 were armed, one was committed by 3 females
- Speed camera update: Accessing potential vendors and evaluating potential locations
- Traffic counter has been purchased by the PD

**Bowie Public Safety Committee**

- NNO participation, August 2, 6-8 p. BVFD will not be able to participate in the CPR demonstration
- Monica Best-James has resigned from the Committee. Her email was read.
- The PSC now has 1 vacancy

**Motion:** Since the National Night Out is in August, a motion was made by Jackie and seconded by Jill to forgo the August meeting and resume our regular meetings in September. The motion passed with Jeffrey and Langston voting no.

**Next meeting:** October 26, 2022 at 7:30 pm (virtual meeting)

**Motion to Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made. Unanimously passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm.