

## **Latino Advisory Committee Meeting**

### **Meeting Minutes for:**

**January 6, 2017**

**Attendees:** Chief Garner, Sandi Elder, Maria Secrest, Maribel Talamantes, Vania Kacir, Joe Perez, Capt. Savage, Capt. Jones, Lt. Turk, Adolph Diaz, C.J. Archibeque, Teri Gutierrez, presenter: Steve Perkins

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 a.m. by Councilwoman Sandi Elder.

Chief Garner welcomed everyone and began by introducing and congratulating Lt. Adam Turk for graduating from the FBI National academy at Quantico and introducing Officer Steve Perkins, from the Training division, who will be talking to the group about de-escalation tactics that Greeley Police Officers use.

Lt. Turk – talked about de-escalation, he said that Greeley is one of the leaders and has been training officers in these types of tactics for years now.

Steve Perkins presented a video of actual de-escalation training that new Greeley officers had just gone through. This was a very informative presentation.

Chief Garner presented a body-worn camera (BWC) slide show with some explanation of why the GPD choose not to purchase BWC at this time.

Roundtable –

Sandi – council is working and meeting with department heads to look at where things are headed for the City in 2017 and beyond.

Maria Secrest – had a question regarding inappropriate calls to 911. Chief responded that the Police Department and Fire Department are working on that issue right now.

Maribel – working on make the City website more user friendly for all by adding information in many language opportunities (over 100 languages will be accessible) with Google translate.

Vania – SAVA is still looking for an Executive Director.

Joe – talked about attending MLK day and movies that would be good to watch about diversity such as Selma or 12 Years a Slave.

Capt. Savage – the Weld County Task Force received an award from HITYA; very important recognition for the good police work being done.

Capt. Jones – 12 new officers in training right now. We will be hiring 3 more officers as soon as possible.

Lt. Turk – Detective Mike Prill received an award from the Colorado Attorney General's Office. It happens to be a very prestigious award.

Adolf – The migrant program is going strong. Christmas was a great success now work begins on scholarships for the kids.

Capt. Savage – Santa cops reached over 3500 families this year.

CJ – There are 260 kids registered for after school programs at this time.

Chief – Crime stats are going to be out soon for 2016.

Sandi – please continue to advocate for this committee and the good of the community.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 a.m.