

Latino Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes:

January 5, 2018

Attendees: Chief Garner, Sandi Elder, Maria Secrest, Joe Perez, Joana Gomez, Inacio Ramos, Capt. Savage, Capt. Jones, Loretta Duran and Teri Gutierrez

Meeting called to order at 7:34 a.m. by Chairwoman Sandi Elder.

We are sending a delegation to the funeral of the Deputy killed in the line of duty (Parrish). The video (bodycam) of the incident shows that the deputies were doing exactly what they were supposed be doing.

There were two rage incidents last night. It seems that society is more tightly wrapped.

We've had two officer involved shootings recently. The DA has declared the officers were in the right, for one case (An auto theft pursuit where the person pointed, what appeared to be a real gun, at officers. It turned out to be a BB gun. These guns are very realistic looking).

The second officer involved shooting began in Evans one day and then next day he steals a car which turns out to have OnStar. OnStar tracks the car turns it off, the person goes into a ditch. Officers show up and he runs into a field, turns a gun on officers. He was shot with a beanbag first, doesn't stop and another officer shoots him.

The officers have showed great restraint in the handling of these incidents, but their safety is very important. Both incidents were handled properly; unfortunately, two people had to die.

I have informed the City Manager that June 1st will be my last day here. I will be retiring after 49 years in law enforcement. The City already started the search process