

MINUTES	Tuesday, March 13, 2018
Public Services Committee	5:26 PM
Sioux Falls City Council	Carnegie Town Hall
	235 West 10th Street

Members Present: Christine M. Erickson, Theresa Stehly, Marshall Selberg, and Pat Starr

Members Absent: None

1. Call To Order

Committee Chair Christine M. Erickson called the meeting to order at 5:26 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

A. Meeting of October 10, 2017

A motion was made by Marshall Selberg and seconded by Theresa Stehly to approve the minutes.

Erickson called for a voice vote. All members voted yes.

Motion Passed.

3. Reports and Updates

A. Drug Prevention, Treatment and Enforcement by Marty Jackley, Attorney General

Presentation: Approximately 15 minutes followed by discussion

Jackley provided the following PowerPoint presentation: A Social Media Video from Augustana students Wallace and Christenson; The Meth Problem; South Dakota's Growing Epidemic; Prescription Drug Monitoring - 2017 Most Prescribed Drugs; Project Standup - Stand Up to Illegal Drugs; and Project Stand Up Tips by City & Drug Type.

Discussion followed regarding: the three-prong approach to handling drug abuse (prevention-treatment-reasonable enforcement); State-wide drug treatment facilities; Partnership approach to funding the treatment facilities; an ongoing National Investigation regarding lawsuits against opioid manufacturers; Statistical information regarding prescription drugs in South Dakota; the main focus for preventative measures; the correlation between crime rates and drug usage; increasing penalties for meth use; penalties for manufacturers, dealers and possession cases; and Senate Bill 63 which deals with manufacturers and dealers.

B. Sioux Falls Police 2017 Crime Statistics by Matt Burns, Chief of Police

Presentation: Approximately 15 minutes followed by discussion.

Burns reviewed the following PowerPoint presentation slides: 2017 Crime Statistics; Calls For Service; and Part 1 Violent Crimes and Property Crimes per 1,000 Population in Relation to Population Growth.

Discussion followed regarding: police presence in neighborhoods; the definitions of certain crimes; the variation in the number of calls from year to year; violations related to driving vehicles; distracted driving; the responsibilities of the street crime unit; and the variation in the amount of drugs confiscated.

Sierra Broussard provided public input about crime activity in the city.

Additional discussion was held regarding: reporting crimes and the Neighborhood Watch Program.

Minnehaha County Sheriff Mike Milstead responded to inquiries regarding: who funds the jail, the public defenders offices, etc.; the number and types of warrants and orders served by the Sheriff's Office; the five year trend of what crimes are increasing; the increase of meth and opioids coming into the city; the increase in drug related overdoses in the city; his concern for the safety of the citizens and his staff due to the increase in drug users in the city; the fact that additional crimes are being caused by drug use; the need for affordable treatment facilities in the state; whether or not there is gang presence in the city.

Kari Benz, Minnehaha County Human Services, provided additional information regarding the triage center and the types of services it provides.

#### 4. Open Discussion

Stehly expressed appreciation for the subject matter and discussion held at the meeting.

#### 5. Adjournment

Committee Chair Christine M. Erickson adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Tamara Jorgensen, MMC  
Assistant City Clerk