

MINUTES

Regular City Commission Meeting Monday, January 25, 2021 - 6:30 PM **Commission Chamber**

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Bole led the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Glasser called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. City Clerk Bartle called the roll.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Ellen Glasser, Mayor - Seat 1

Bruce Bole, Commissioner - Seat 2

Michael Waters, Commissioner - Seat 3 (District 1307) Candace Kelly, Commissioner - Seat 4 (District 1306)

Brittany Norris, Mayor Pro Tem / Commissioner - Seat 5 (District 1312)

Also Present:

Shane Corbin, City Manager (CM)

Brenna Durden, City Attorney (CA)

Donna Bartle, City Clerk (CC) Lori Diaz, Deputy City Clerk

Mayor Glasser reported Item 10C. User Fees for Parks and Recreation Facilities will be deferred to the next meeting due to the Recreation Director is not able to attend today to report. She invited anyone who wanted to speak on the item to speak during Public Comment.

She informed attendees there is a mask requirement in the Chamber and we are practicing social distancing. Therefore, in the interest of Public Safety, due to space in the Chamber and social distancing guidelines, Mayor Glasser requested a motion to move Item 4A. up to before Item 1.

MOTION: To move Item 4A up top before Item 1.

Motion:

Bruce Bole

Second:

Michael Waters

Ellen Glasser	For
Bruce Bole (Moved By)	For
Michael Waters (Seconded By)	For
Candace Kelly	For
Brittany Norris	For

Motion passed 5 to 0.

4A. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day 2021 Proclamation (Mayor Glasser)

Mayor Glasser stepped down to the podium, thanked all in attendance and recognized former elected officials present in the Chamber. She reported for (4) years the City has been in partnership with a local music ministry in the faith community to hold a local Martin Luther King Day celebration. She reported each year various people are honored for their community service. She reported the nominations are submitted to the non-profit organization and recommendations are made to the City. She reported this year's recipients as Lillie Sullivan, Samuel Newby and Jimmy Hundley.

Mayor Glasser read the Proclamation.

Commissioner Norris read a biography of each of the recipients (which are attached hereto and made part of this Official Record as **ATTACHMENT A**.)

Ms. Sullivan was present and expressed gratitude for receiving the award. She recognized and thanked various persons for their support and contributions.

Mr. Newby was present and expressed gratitude. He recognized and thanked various persons for their support and contributions.

Sgt. Hundley was present and expressed thanks and gratitude.

Mayor Glasser thanked everyone for attending.

ATTACHMENT A - Community Service Award recipient's biographies

1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1A. Approve minutes of the Special Called Meeting of the City Commission on September 28, 2020.
- 1B. Approve minutes of the Special Called Meeting of the City Commission on November 23, 2020.
- 1C. Approve minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting on January 11, 2021.

Mayor Glasser asked if there were any corrections or changes needed. There were no corrections to the minutes. Mayor Glasser stated the minutes stand as submitted.

2 COURTESY OF FLOOR TO VISITORS

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Glasser explained the process for public comments and opened the Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors. City Clerk Bartle called each speaker to the podium.

Terri Ray spoke regarding concerns with the lack of public safety alerts via the Safer Watch app. She requested answers to her stated questions. She submitted a handout (which is attached hereto and made part of this Official Record as **ATTACHMENT B**.)

Tim Stalter spoke regarding concerns with the addition of sod to the pitcher's mound to the only softball field in Atlantic Beach and submitted a handout from his daughter, Amelia Stalter (which is attached hereto and made part of this Official Record as **ATTACHMENT C**.)

John November spoke in favor of the Lily Street purchase.

Joann Wallace spoke on Item 10C. regarding DIG Local Network. She stated she hoped it be addressed soon and will respect any decision made by the Commission.

James Wheatley spoke regarding concerns with the fast paced purchase of city vehicles. He provided multiple questions and stated he will be submitting a FOIA request. He expressed support for the City Police Department but requested the full story/report be provided to the public regarding a Jan.15 incident in which a motorist was pulled over, and made to lie face down.

Mayor Glasser reported there were no written comments submitted.

Mayor Glasser closed Courtesy of the Floor.

<u>ATTACHMENT B - Handout from Terri Ray</u> ATTACHMENT C - Handout from Tim Stalter

3 CITY MANAGER REPORTS

3A. City Manager's Report

- Reported (2) employees are currently COVID -19 positive, multiple employees in quarantine, county data is monitored on a 2 week average, indoor facilities rental is suspended, as well as senior programs, after school programs are in operation.
- Priority-setting feedback is being formalized and should be presented in about (2) meetings.
- Next Monday is the Joint Workshop with the Commission and Environmental Stewardship Committee (ESC) on the Tree Code.

3B. Water Treatment Plant Report

CM Corbin reported this item is being presented today for introduction as it is a significantly large infrastructure project.

City Engineer (CE) Steve Swann presented an overview of the WTP 1 modernization plan, which is included in the agenda packet beginning on page 92.

CM Corbin requested the Commission to provide feedback whether to move forward.

Discussion and questions ensued regarding budget, foreseeable work for other City water plants, energy efficiency of new pumps, Verizon lease, cost to repair the tower, and measures used to document the need for this project.

Mayor Glasser confirmed the conversion from chlorine gas to sodium hypochlorite would take place during this project and that the source of funds comes out of Enterprise Funds.

CE Swann answered all questions and reported the timeline as 12 months for completion.

Mayor Glasser requested to see the long term plan for the water plants.

3C. 0 Lily Street

CM Corbin provided a brief overview and invited CE Swann to report. CE Swann presented slides which are included in the agenda packet beginning on page 105.

CM Corbin reported on the slide on page 116 of the agenda packet regarding the half-cent discretionary sales tax fund.

CE Swann spoke regarding potential grants to assist in the purchase. He stated we currently have an application under review with the Florida Communities Trust which could potentially pay 75% of the project.

Commissioner Bole inquired on sea level rise and how long before this land is under water. CE Swann responded he would expect in 10 years the majority of this property to be submerged during the spring tides.

Mayor Glasser inquired on the sea level rise, the appraisal, and the likelihood of development of the property. CE Swann responded his opinion is people will develop the property.

Mayor Glasser inquired about grant funding on a kayak launch. CE Swann responded that would be possible.

Further discussion ensued regarding protection of this area for its endangered species and vegetation, sea level rise study and our resiliency plan.

CM Corbin requested Commission feedback and direction on how to proceed.

The Commission was in agreement to proceed with additional public input and a vote on the purchase.

In response to questions, CM Corbin reported there was one submittal from the RFP for a Special Magistrate and it will be going back out, and we have not had anyone approach the City about starting a softball program.

3D. Accept the 90-Day Calendar

CM Corbin reported the Complete Streets and Connectivity Town Hall has not yet been scheduled.

There was *CONSENSUS* to accept the 90-Day calendar, with the notation of adding the Town Hall later.

4 REPORTS AND/OR REQUESTS FROM CITY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Kelly spoke regarding the Arbor Day event.

Commissioner Norris requested people interested in playing softball to please reach out to her, she stated is receiving mixed feedback regarding the circle at the 4-way at Main Street, and requested to continue working on solutions. She requested feedback from the CM Corbin and Chief Gualillo regarding the public comments made by Ms. Ray regarding Safer Watch. She provided questions. She responded to public comments regarding the Jan 15 incident between a beaches resident and police. She stated she has met with the individual, and incident details will be forthcoming.

Mayor Glasser spoke on her experience with the Safer Watch app and requested CM Corbin to place Community Re-Development Agencies on the next meeting agenda. She spoke about her meeting with Senator Bean and Representative Bird and requested issues of interest be shared for monitoring of its legislation.

4A. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day 2021 Proclamation (Mayor Glasser) (This item was taken out of sequence and acted on earlier in the meeting.)

5 UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS None.

6 CONSENT AGENDA

- 6A. Acknowledge receipt of the Monthly Financial Report for November and December 2020.
- 6B. Acknowledge receipt of the Building Department Quarterly Report through Q1.

MOTION: To approve Consent Agenda Items A and B as written.

Motion: Brittany Norris Second: Candace Kelly

Ellen Glasser For
Bruce Bole For
Michael Waters For
Candace Kelly (Seconded By) For
Brittany Norris (Moved By) For

Motion passed 5 to 0.

7 COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

8 ACTION ON RESOLUTIONS

8A. Resolution No. 21-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIC BEACH AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT FURNITURE FOR THE POLICE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.

Mayor Glasser read the Resolution by title.

Commander Cameron and Sgt. Jamison were present to report on the need for replacement furniture for the Communications Center as detailed in the agenda packet.

Sgt. Jameson reported on what will be done with the surplus furniture. All questions were answered.

MOTION: To adopt Resolution No. 21-05.

Motion: Brittany Norris Second: Candace Kelly

Ellen Glasser For
Bruce Bole For
Michael Waters For
Candace Kelly (Seconded By) For
Brittany Norris (Moved By) For

Motion passed 5 to θ .

8B. Resolution No. 21-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIC BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF INSTALLATION SERVICES FOR EMERGENCY GENERATORS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING, CITY HALL AND THE CAMELIA STREET LIFT STATION.

Mayor Glasser read the Resolution by title.

CE Swann reported on the purchase of generators as detailed in the staff report included in the agenda packet. All questions were answered.

MOTION: To adopt Resolution No. 21-06.

Motion: Brittany Norris Second: Michael Waters

Ellen Glasser For
Bruce Bole For
Michael Waters (Seconded By) For
Candace Kelly For
Brittany Norris (Moved By) For

Motion passed 5 to 0.

9 ACTION ON ORDINANCES

9A. Ordinance No. 65-21-42, Public Hearing and Final Reading

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIC BEACH, FLORIDA, INSTITUTING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE COMMERCIAL RENTAL AND LEASE, AND USE OF RENTED AND LEASED, ELECTRIC PERSONAL ASSISTIVE MOBILITY DEVICES, MICROMOBILITY DEVICES AND MOTORIZED SCOOTERS; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS, CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, ENFORCEMENT, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Glasser read the Ordinance by title.

CM Corbin reported on the Ordinance as detailed in the agenda packet.

Mayor Glasser opened the Public Hearing.

City Clerk Bartle reported there were no speaker cards presented.

City Clerk Bartle reported there were no written comments submitted.

MOTION: To adopt Ordinance No. 65-21-42 as read by title.

Motion: Brittany Norris Second: Candace Kelly

Commissioner Norris is in favor of the moratorium and public input.

Commissioner Waters is in favor of the moratorium.

Commissioner Bole is in favor of the moratorium.

Mayor Glasser is in agreement with the Commission and stated to protect us from preemption we do not have to wait a year if Commission wanted to act on banning them.

CA Durden confirmed the law as it is today, Mayor Glasser is accurate.

CM Corbin clarified this moratorium does not include personal ownership of personal scooters, it is for companies who would open a for-profit business in our City.

Commissioner Waters asked how long the moratorium would last. CM Corbin reported one year, unless acted on or extended.

Commissioner Kelly is in favor of the moratorium.

Ellen Glasser	For
Bruce Bole	For
Michael Waters	For
Candace Kelly (Seconded By)	For
Brittany Norris (Moved By)	For

Motion passed 5 to 0.

10 MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

10A. Auditor Engagement Extension

CM Corbin reported on the request for extension and stated he is happy with their services.

Finance Director (FD) Melissa Burns was present to answer questions.

Discussion and questions ensued regarding length of contract, and cost of the service. All questions were answered.

MOTION: To approve continued engagement of the audit firm of Purvis Gray and Company for the audits for FY2020 and FY 2021.

Motion: Brittany Norris Second: Bruce Bole

Ellen Glasser For
Bruce Bole (Seconded By) For
Michael Waters For
Candace Kelly For
Brittany Norris (Moved By) For

Motion passed 5 to 0.

10B. Community Rating System (CRS) Progress Report

CM Corbin invited Building Official Dan Arlington to report.

Mr. Arlington reported on how our rating benefits the City and how points are added. He informed the Commission that unexpectedly the City of Jacksonville LMS was not accepted so we lost those points but the auditor has informed us he can use points from other places to keep us at our Level 7 rating.

CM Corbin reported that a discussion was held to hire a specialized person to work on the plan, which resulted in the decision not to.

Mr. Arlington reported that work on our resiliency plan and our free board level will continue to add points.

MOTION: To accept the 2020 CRS Report as presented.

Motion: Candace Kelly Second: Brittany Norris

Ellen Glasser For
Bruce Bole For
Michael Waters For
Candace Kelly (Moved By) For
Brittany Norris (Seconded By) For

Motion passed 5 to 0.

10C. User Fees for Parks and Recreation Facilities

This item was deferred for the next regular Commission meeting.

10D. Civility Pledge (Commissioner Norris)

Commissioner Norris stated the civility pledge was updated to include item 4. to the pledge which is included in the agenda packet.

Commissioner Norris requested discussion and proposed a Resolution on the agenda for the next meeting.

Mayor Glasser asked the Commission for additions or comments, there were none. She stated if any come up to provide them to staff for incorporation.

She reported a typo in item 5. of the pledge, and requested a Resolution be drafted for next meeting.

11 CITY ATTORNEY/CITY CLERK REPORTS AND/OR REQUESTS

City Clerk Bartle provided a status of transcription of meeting minutes and reported a serious shortage in Board/Committee applicants. She stated we need applicants for the Board Member Review Committee, Cultural Arts and Recreation Advisory Committee and General Employees' Pension Board.

CA Durden thanked FD Burns and Patty Drake for implementation of E-Verify. She also reported in preparation for next week's Tree Code Workshop she is following a Pensacola case currently on appeal regarding the Florida Statute that provides for an arborist be able to write a letter that a tree presents a danger to persons or property. She reported there is a Senate Bill submitted to the Florida Legislature with a Companion House Bill to repeal that Statute. She asked the Commission if they would be in favor of drafting a Resolution in support of the repeal and that other Cities are doing this.

12 CLOSING COMMENTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS AND CITY MANAGER

Commissioner Norris encouraged citizens to apply for a Board or Committee and stated she is in favor of the Resolution to support repeal of the Statute reported on by CA Durden.

Commissioner Waters is in favor of the Resolution to support repeal of the Statue reported on by CA Durden.

CM Corbin expressed the City's willingness to support organizing and fostering of softball. He reported on the concept being worked on by Art Republic for use in the redevelopment of Mayport Road and stated he will plan to have them come present at the next meeting. He invited questions and comments. He also invited questions regarding the Tree Code.

Commissioner Bole stated he is in favor of the Resolution to support repeal of the Statute reported on by CA Durden. He stated he did not see any Safer Watch content produced or written by the City in a political manner.

Commissioner Kelly asked how much the murals will cost. CM Corbin reported Art Republic was brought in for \$10,000 to manage the project and understands fundraising will take place to

pay for the murals. She clarified that girl's play AB baseball and that girls are not being left out unless they insist upon only playing softball.

Mayor Glasser is in favor of the Resolution to support repeal of the Statute reported on by CA Durden. She encouraged anyone interested in creation of a softball program to reach out to her and thanked public input provided. She also stated that she did not produce or write comments regarding Safer Watch to politicize the issue and provided additional feedback regarding management of the app and the comments made.

13 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Mayor Glasser declared the meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

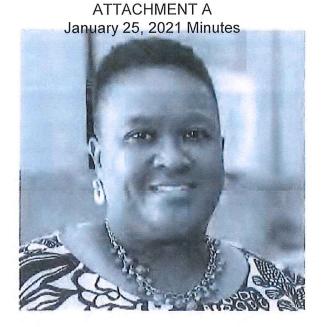
Attest:

Donna L. Bartle, City Clerk

Donna S Bartle

Ellen Glasser, Mayor

Date Approved

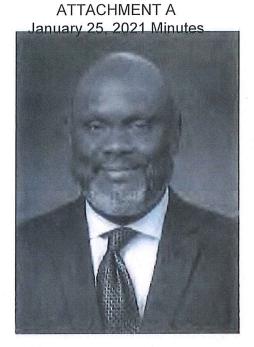


Lillie Jean Sullivan is a native of Jacksonville Beach, and she has long served the Beaches community, to include Atlantic Beach. She graduated from Fletcher High School and attended Florida Junior College in Jacksonville before earning her degree in Business Administration from Jones Business College in Jacksonville.

Lillie is retired from the Mayo Clinic of Jacksonville, after 30 years of dedicated service. She currently serves as President of the Jacksonville Beach Elementary Preservation Fund Inc. This organization is the legal arm of the Rhoda L. Martin Cultural Heritage Center. She is beloved by the people at the beaches for her selfless, tireless work with the Center in promoting a preserving the rich history of the beaches and its people. She has worked on projects with Atlantic Beach, most recently the commemoration of Sgt. Leroy Everett, Jr.

Lillie's passion and love for helping others through her community is well known. She is a member of St. Andrew AME Church. She has been awarded numerous accolades, such as Friend of the Beaches Award sponsored by the Beaches Watch, The Beach Legends Award sponsored by the Beaches Area Historical Society and the Community Service Award sponsored by The Women of Color Cultural Foundation.

Through her vision, the Beaches community now looks forward to and celebrates the birth and legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. Insofar as she has worked on events related to Dr. King behind the scenes, it is fitting that she receives this community service award.

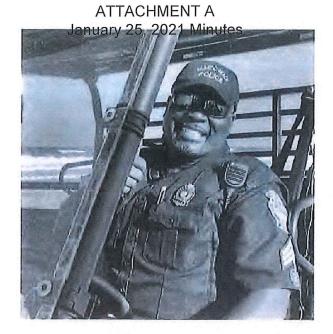


Samuel C. "Sam" Newby is a native of Jacksonville. He graduated from Raines High School and earned his undergraduate degree from Edward Waters College. He currently serves as Vice-President of the Jacksonville City Council, where he is an At-Large Councilman who is elected by and who serves the Beaches community.

Sam's servant heart has been on display through both his corporate and community leadership. He spent his professional career at PepsiCo and has been actively involved in the community for over 30 years. An example of his community service is that Sam coached recreation sports at the Johnson Family YMCA for several years and also served as its Chair. As a motivator and mentor, he turned around the lives of several "at-hope" youths who have gone on to become successful in life.

Sam was elected to the Jacksonville City Council in May 2015, and he has been a strong advocate for Atlantic Beach. With his passion, commitment and experience, he has focused on promoting local business and education. His strategy includes safer communities, more job opportunities, fighting blight and neglect, improved infrastructure, quality neighborhood schools, and protecting "at-hope" youth.

Sam has been the recipient of several accolades for his work with youth and in the community. Through all his accomplishments, Sam is a humble man who takes pride in being a man who has a strong relationship with God. Sam is the husband to Sheila, a proud father of four and a doting grandfather of eleven.



Born in Miami, Jimmy D. Hundley's life has been dedicated to public service. We are fortunate that he found Atlantic Beach, where we know him as Sergeant (Sgt.) Hundley, a 20-year veteran of the Atlantic Beach Police Department (ABPD). His service for the Beaches community and our City – and his kind heart for our residents and those in need - is on display every day.

Jimmy earned a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Criminal Justice, and he went on earn a Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.). He completed many hours toward a Ph.D. in business, but the call of public service took his life and career in another direction. His public service included service in the U.S. Army, and we thank him for his military service. He later worked with the Department of Juvenile Justice before joining the ranks of the ABPD in 1999.

With the ABPD, he has held positions and trained in these areas: a Patrol Officer, Patrol Sergeant, Investigations, Neighborhood Watch, De-escalation, Report Writing, Emergency Vehicle Operations, Defensive Tactics, Field Training Officer, First Aid, Police Academy Instructor, and General Instructor. He is respected by his peers. As one example of his career commendations, he received a Lifesaving Award in 2018 for saving a suicidal subject who was preparing to jump off the Mayport Flyover. It is important to noted that Jimmy is known for his support of youth in our City and helping to divert them, when possible, from making bad decisions. He is trusted person in authority who serves as a great role model in our community.

Jimmy is a humble leader and public servant who gives much and asks nothing in return. In his spare time, he enjoys fishing, motorcycles, travel, and sports. He is a devoted family man to Tracy, and his three adult children Brittany, Jimmy Jr., and Jared.

1/25/21 Submitted by Terri Ray

ATTACHMEIN -January 25, 2021 Minutes

More Residents Questioning why no Alerts

SW Confirms Alerts NOT SENT out

MAN FOUND DEAD – NO ALERT

SOMETHING CHANGED

ALERT Car Burglaries Asking for Video ALERT Police/Fire Responding Vila Norte ALERT Police Activity Garden Lane

ALERT Multiple Burglaries

Res. 19-22 Passed SaferWatch ABPD "Public Safety Tool to give Police Alerts ABPD presents Saler Watch for Emergency Alerts/Citizen Reporting

OFFICIAL DATA FROM CITY OF ATLANTIC BEACH DOCUMENTS (FOIA) - SUPPLEMENTED BY NEWS SOURCES & SOCIAL MEDIA POST 02/81/01 02/21/01 02/21/01 02/21/01 02/21/01 02/21/01

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ATLANTIIC BEACH ELECTION Police investigate deadly stabbing at Atlantic Beach home Mayor "SW Not Crime notification tool" COP "to use SW require paradigm shift for some page Chief Cook "hammering ABPD – decide use SW landing, Reporter Integral Reporter sucher & sychol Com. Anderson questions why no alert CM, DCM & Mayor agree "NOT SW Alert worthy" DEADLY STABBING NO SUSPECT - NO ALERT Atlantic Beach officer beaten unconscious before back-up officer DCM puts out "up to discretion of City" SW Confirms ABPD to send real-time alerts shoots suspect DCIM Reports "citizens are badgering us" DCM takes Admin of SaferWatch DCM "SW hot topic, Storm barreling to us" TILLWING SKICH, Sh HEARTBREAK OFFICER DOWN- NO ALERT Mayor replies resident "if is operator settings" Residents Questioning why no Alerts BOLO ARMED SUSPECT" NO ALERT

Man found shot dead inside Atlantic Beach residence, police searching A man wes found shot dead for answers

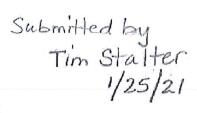
CM - City Manager DCM - Dept City Manager COP - Chief of Police - SaferWatch CEO MS

5/28/19	ABPD Presentation to	SaferWatch valuable tool for ABPD to send out
	Commission	emergency alerts, monitored by ABPD 24/7
5/28/19	Resolution 19-22 Passed 4-0	SaferWatch Agreement with ABPD to assist in
		public safety and provide for efficient and timely
		communication with our residents in response to
		emergency situations
6/11/19	ABPD Post on FB-SaferWatch	"To receive Police and City Alerts"
6/11/19	SaferWatch Alert ABPD	Active Warrant WANTED w/ Picture
8/28/19	SaferWatch Alert ABPD	Severe Weather Advisory (through 9/2/19)
11/6/19	SaferWatch Alert ABPD	Burglaries in Area
11/21/19	SaferWatch Alert ABPD	Scammer Alert Posing as ABPD
12/30/19	SaferWatch Alert ABPD	Police Activity 400 Block of Garden Lane. No
		threat to public safety
1/19/20	SaferWatch Alert ABPD	Police & Fire responding medical emergency Villa
		Norte
1/30/20	SaferWatch Alert ABPD	Two suspects caught going into cars asking for video footage
1/30/20	SaferWatch Alert ABPD	Testing SaferWatch App
2/13/20	SaferWatch Alert ABPD	Road closed Gas Line Break
2/22/20	ABPD Email	"Nothing on website about SaferWatch"
3/23/20	SaferWatch Alert ABPD	Road closed Gas leak
4/13/20	Commissioner Anderson	Brought up increase in Crime during COVID. VG
		said "COAB crimes reported has not increase"
		THING CHANGED!
6/1/20	NO SaferWatch Alert	Man shot to death Sargo Road – no details given
6/17/20	NO SaferWatch Alert	BOLO Armed suspect on the loose West & Begonia Street
6/17/20	Text Msg VC to EG KH SC	"looking for subject w/ handgun. Tiffany should
		put something out on SaferWatch"
6/20/20	Terri Ray emailed Elected	"Why NO SaferWatch alerts for recent 2 serious
× 1	Leaders	incidents in the city" w/ confirmation she had
		received previous alerts
6/20/20	E Glasser Email to Terri Ray	"SaferWatch app is managed by ABPD. May be
		setting problem, as need to sign up for
		notifications to get alerts"
6/22/20	Terri FB Post	"Thank you Commissioner Kelly for responding
		to my recent email in tonight's meeting on the
		status of SaferWatch App providing police and
		community alerts to residents. We appreciate your follow up, as many of us became
		concerned last week with significant police

7/16/20	NO SaferWatch Alert	Officer Beaten Unconscious – Other officer involved shooting
7/30/20	K Hogencamp Email to SW & Elected & City Staff	SaferWatch is much-maligned on social media, some given up on it and a hot topic with a major storm barreling toward us. We need to fix this." "Our ever-positive mayor says that when she had difficulty with the app, she deleted and reinstalled it, and it seems to be working like a charm."
7/31/20	K Hogencamp 4pm Call w/ SW	KH asks ABPD "maybe I can be admin and you still approve my alerts?"
8/1/20	K Hogencampt Email to SW	"I am sending our first alert and it won't go through. Please help!"
8/14/20	Terri FB Post	"SaferWatch quit in March providing alerts."
8/18/20	K Hogencamp Email to SW	"We continue to get badgered about SaferWatch. It's even being raised in political campaign. Will you craft a message that we can push out?"
8/18/20	SW Email Reply to K Hogencamp	"these comments are right. After Chief left PD didn't send out Alerts anymore. The used to all the time"" and message about making sure they're subscribed it may not matter if no one is sending out alerts"
9/14/20	Email KH to VG, SW & ABPD	"SW is going give us update to residents assuring them SW remains operational and what to do if they have a problem. Meanwhile, a political candidate is posting that we no longer use SW to deliver crime alerts. That's adding to the confusion in the community."
9/16/20	SaferWatch Alert ABPD	Testing SaferWatch App
9/16/20	SW Email to KH	"SW is an official notification tool that empowers the ABPD and public safety agencies to send out real-time notifications about emergencies and safety notices. The ABPD determines when it is appropriate to send out a SW Alert, with Emergency having unique tone to non-emergency."
9/21/20	Terri FB Post	"And is anyone getting Safewatch Crime alerts again?"
9/22/20	K Hogencamp Newsletter	Changed SaferWatch Guidance from "It is the discretion of the Police as to when Alerts are sent out" to "it is up to the discretion of the City"
10/12/20	VG Text Msg to EG, KH, SC	8:52am "we are working unnatural death, don't have details, media is on the scene"

10/12/20	SC Text Msg to VG, EG KH	"seeing chatter that safer watch hasn't sent out any info"
10/12/20	KH Text Msg to VG, SC, EG	"I don't think this sort of even would be SaferWatch worthy. After, Chief should call complainant to do some education/community relations"
10/12/20	EG Text Msg to VG, SC, EG	"Agreed. I don't plan to comment but want to know what the media knows"
10/12/20	KH Text Msg to VG, EG, SC	"we need to fine-tune our general SaferWatch message"
10/12/20	NO SaferWatch Alert	Suspicious death w/ NO other information RedFin
10/12/20	E Glasser Email to City Staff	"Add or clarify SW is not a crime mapping tool or news source, its for residents to report stuff and for us tell folks when to stay away. False Expectation have been raised that are not helping"
10/12/20	Text Message Chief Cook to Chief Gualillo	"citizens are starting to hammer ABPD for no nocations going out on SW. You probably need to decide whether to get rid of it or make sure it's used more robustly. They are starting to tag elected officials""
10/12/20	Text Message Chief Gualillo to Chief Cook	"I talked Amy who started posts, unfortunately it was on her street. Another street and we probably wouldn't have heard anything. Using SaferWatch more is going to require a little paradigm shift for some people. Good times"
10/12/20	Com. Anderson Email	"I was shocked about fatal stabbing in their neighborhood but they failed to receive any kind of warning or notification from SaferWatch which the City set up for the exact stated purpose to inform citizens of these events. Is today's situation the fault of ABPD failing to communicate or does the app not work appropriately>?
10/13/20	E Glasser Email to Amy Rose	"ABPD will be working with the City on message to make it more clear. It is not a crime notification tool or crime mapping tool. It is not a news source or community forum. Chief heard your neighborhood would have appreciated an alert to report "police activity no safety concerns. I think that would be reasonable"
10/13/20	Terri FB Post	"I see Public Safety as Priority #1, so I am concerned about SaferWatch value (\$20k) to us if we don't get crime alerts. I see it the duty of city leaders to alert & inform citizens of crime"

November 3 rd Atlantic Beach Election			
11/10/20	SaferWatch Alert	Stand-Off on Aquatic Drive - Avoid the Area	
11/10/20	VG Text Msg to 5C	"everybody is ok Tiffany is putting out all clear on Saferwatch"	
11/19/20	Terri FB Post	"We don't get a SaferWatch alert about suspects on the loose within a mile of our home, but you CAN submit "Tip" if neighbors gathering in a crowd with pictures or secret audio recording.	



The Fate of Atlantic Beach Softball

What's Going On?

City Manager Shane Corbin has recently approved ABAA to add sod and a pitcher's mound to the infield of the only softball field in Atlantic Beach. These changes will preclude girls' softball from being played in Atlantic Beach whether for league play, pick-up games, or practice. He believes that since there is very little interest in softball league play there is no reason to maintain the softball field in Russell Park. This decision should be in the hands of the city commission. According to the Atlantic Beach Code of Ordinances Part I Article II Section 9 Number 14 in order to make a structural change to a public park there needs to be a unanimous vote of the entire city commission.

Why Keep Softball?

Ultimately, the reason to keep the softball field is that it is fair. Softball has been a growing and expanding sport in the United States. In Tokyo 2021 it will be an Olympic Sport, there are now professional leagues, and there are more and more scholarships available for softball players. By taking this field away you are denying the young girls in Atlantic Beach the opportunity to participate and enjoy this growing sport. The argument Mr. Corbin makes, lack of league participation, is irrelevant. Russell Park is home to amenities such as tennis courts, racquetball courts, basketball courts, and soccer fields. None of these amenities are required to host league play, why is the softball field being held to this double standard?

Solution

If ABAA wants another baseball-only field, they can use the existing baseball-only field in Donner Park. It has similar dimensions as field B (softball field) in Russell Park. Mr. Corbin believes that if softball would return to Atlantic Beach, Donner Park's baseball field could be turned into a softball field. If Donner Park isn't a suitable location for boy's baseball, why would it be a suitable location for girls' softball? By the way, girls' softball never left Atlantic Beach. It only left ABAA.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Amelia Stalter