

**North Las Vegas Police Department
Chief's Advisory Council Meeting Minutes
November 13th, 2006**

ATTENDEES

**Chief Paresi
Ted Johnson
John O'Carroll**

**Mimi Devore-Rigg
Dwayne Miller
Susan Sayegh**

**Al Greer
Dan Morris
Connie Holtmann-Spangler**

ABSENT

**Gregory Troutman
Dana Phillips**

**Laura Marscheck
Florence Buchanan**

GUESTS

Officer Alex Rodriguez CSO Crystal Patterson PIO Tim Bedwell

- 1) Meeting was called to order by Connie and our first guest speakers were introduced. Community Service Officer Crystal Patterson and Officer Alex Rodriguez spoke about the Civilian Community Service Officers (CCSO) and the Civilian Police Service Representative (CPSR) and the differences in their job tasks.

- 2) Crystal has been a CCSO for two years. CCSOs are used in the field for preparing reports from the public for things like burglaries, stolen vehicles reports. They are able to free up sworn officers for more critical responses. CCSOs are also used in the field to protect crime scenes, direct traffic, helping in certain types of traffic accidents. They must attend a five week training course and have to spend time in the field with a Field Training Officer (FTO).

CPSRs have some of the same training but do most of their work from the area command centers. They work at the front desks and take reports, etc. from the public. CPSRs can be hired at 18 but by the time they reach the age of 21, they would have had to apply for a commissioned position with the PD.

The Department will be hiring new CCSOs in 2007. They have proven to be a major asset to the Department by freeing up the sworn officers in the field and handling minor problems and paperwork.

- 3) Our next speaker was Tim Bedwell who has been the NLVPD Public Information Officer (PIO) for the last several years. He is currently working with Metro and other law enforcement agencies in the So. Nevada area. They are attempting to form an agency that would handle and present information from the combined departments to the public. The four target areas that the agency would handle include Auto theft, Burglary, Robbery, and Traffic. The agency would include PIOs for all departments and would help the public by presenting consistent spokespersons for television and print media. This would enable the departments to have real time coverage, present a positive and informative communication. This would help develop trust with the public and show that all departments are working

together for their benefit. The personnel and budget are being worked out, and Officer Bedwell will keep us posted as to their progress.

- 4) Members were asked if they had anything to report or bring up.
 - Ted- nothing.
 - Mimi- asked if there is another gun turn in planned any time soon.
 - Al- had questions about the PIO officer.
 - Dwayne- had questions on the new temporary area command center, the border shifts, and where the permanent station would be.
 - John- asked if new members were being added.
- 5) No December meeting and Happy Holidays to all!

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON JANUARY 8TH, 2007 AT 5:00 P.M. AT THE
NORTHWEST AREA COMMAND ON WASHBURN & ALLEN.**