



## Sheriff's Citizens Advisory Board Meeting Minutes March 9, 2020

### Attendees:

John Nowels (SCSO)	Leigh O'Neill	Andrew McGee	Mike Davisson
Mehrdad Samadi	Tom Mackenzie	Vern King	Brian Standow
Russ Andres	JT Ramsey	Kristina Blake	Chuck Parker
Kenneth L. Winn	Skip Johnson		

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 PM

Minutes were approved for the February 10, 2020 meeting.

### New Business:

Larry Haskell, Spokane County Prosecutor

- He is an elected official
- 69 Attorneys that work for him (50 criminal)
- 99 Additional employees (victim advocates, investigators, secretaries, administrators, technical experts, etc.)
- \$13M budget plus grants
- Divisions:
  - Civil
  - Family
  - Criminal – Juvenile Division
- Murders by year:
  - 2018 = 13
  - 2019 = 8
  - 2020 (so far) = 10
- Most prevalent cases are domestic violence assaults
- The prosecutor's office has a great working relationship with detectives
- Spokane County pays if city crime is booked on a felony charge, City of Spokane pays if the crime is booked on a misdemeanor.
- There are approximately 300 trials possible in one year at the Superior Court level. There were over 3,000 felonies last year, most of which are plea bargained, due to the Superior Court trial limitations.
- If Mr. Haskell could have any law implemented, he would choose laws that offer more mental health and drug treatment. He would also ask the state to pay for criminal or public defense.
- If Mr. Haskell could have any law terminated it would be the legalization of any drug(s).

### Old Business:

The citizens complaint case (Sawtelle) was tabled until next meeting to give others in the group time to review.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM

**Next Meeting:**

April 13, 2020

5:30pm – 7:30pm

@ Spokane Regional Health District Bldg., 1101 W. College Ave., Room #140

Minutes Submitted by

Leigh O'Neill, Secretary