



NLOC Meeting
Tuesday March 20, 2018 at 3:30 PM
Portland Downtown – 549 Congress Street

Present: Lt. Kevin Cashman (PPD), Jessica Hanscombe (Business Licensing), Tony Austin (State Liquor Enforcement), Jon Dow (Waterfront Concerts), Dan Talmatch (North Point), Doug Fuss (Bull Feeney's), Tanner Herget (Bonfire), Michael Lizotte (Drink Exchange)

Board members: Mike Erickson

Staff: Taffy Eaton, Amy Geren

Minute 1. Introductions: Mike Erickson opened the meeting by welcoming everyone present and asking for introductions

Minute 2. Review and acceptance of February 20, 2018 meeting minutes: Tanner Herget made a motion to accept the minutes, Dan Talmatch seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Minute 3. Review Night Life Issues/Calls for Service/License for April 2018 renewals: Lt. Cashman reviewed the calls for service in the packet. Discussion: Lt. Cashman informed those present that the burglary at the Porthole was an April 2017 arrest of a long-time burglary suspect. He predominantly stole cash and liquor from Old Port businesses.

Minute 4. Review of new and pending liquor licenses for April 2018: Jessica Hanscombe said there are none thus far

Minute 5. Other business:

- Lt. Cashman said the thefts of checks from offices are being investigated
- June 23rd Old Port half-marathon, starting at 6:30am
- Crime stats: Amy showed her Power Point presentation of crime statistics from 2017 in case this committee is interested in getting regular updates. Part One and Two crimes – larceny theft (personal property theft) represents the highest number of crimes. Amy can sort this information in a variety of ways and can compare years over time. She will request the Calls for Service data quarterly as a reporting requirement for the Community Block Grant Portland Downtown and Amistad are scheduled to receive in July 2018. Mike reminded those present that part of the reason this information is important is to track trends for this committee to address.
- Amy explained the Peer Outreach Worker program developed in partnership with Amistad beginning in July 2018 that hopefully will help reduce some problems merchants report such as bothering, drinking in public, and panhandling.
- Portland Downtown will be creating pamphlets for businesses to hand out to those who would like to make a donation to a social service organization, and for those panhandling who might need have access to services.
- Doug requested an update on the Panhandling Ad hoc Committee's letter and progress.

Mike adjourned the meeting at 3:50pm

Next meeting: April 16th at 3:30pm

Respectfully submitted,
Taffy Eaton, Recorder