

CITY OF POCA TELLO, IDAHO
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
POLICE UNION QUARTERLY UPDATE
MAY 17, 2018

-ROLL CALL The Special City Council meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m. by Mayor Brian Blad. Council members present were Heidi Adamson, Roger Bray, Rick Cheatum, Jim Johnston, Linda Leeuwrik and Beena Mannan.

Also in attendance were Ruth Whitworth, City Clerk; Jared Johnson, City Attorney, Scott Marchand, Police Chief; Val Wadsworth, Brandon Vail, Cory Christ, Mary Rasmussen, and Akilah Lacey, Police Union Representatives.

Mayor Blad announced that the meeting was called to receive a quarterly update of activities from Police Union representatives.

Mr. Wadsworth gave an update of Union activities. He mentioned this week is Law Enforcement Appreciation Week.

Mayor Blad and the City Council thanked the Police for their law enforcement service to the City.

Mr. Wadsworth reviewed various fundraising events held by the Police Union. He shared the retention of officers is very important to the Union. They want to retain officers until the officers retire. Challenges that officers are facing in the community were shared. It was noted that negative stories in the media and across the nation is making it difficult to recruit and keep officers.

General discussion regarding safety issues in the community and the need to educate citizens about potential hazards followed.

In closing, Council thanked the Police Union for what they do to keep our community safe and continued outreach to citizens.

Mayor Blad adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

BRIAN C. BLAD, MAYOR

ATTEST AND PREPARED BY:

RUTH E. WHITWORTH, CITY CLERK