

Alamance County Citizens' Public Safety Advisory Committee
Overview
3-23-21

In Attendance: Chief Parker, Ms. Barbara Acosta, Mr. Michael Graves, Dr. Larry Covington, Mr. Tommy Coble, Pastor Tim Britt, Major Fortner, Lt. Washington, and Michelle Mills.

Welcome

Chief Parker opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanked them for taking the time to attend. The Alamance County Sheriff's Office Annual Report along with January and February 2021 statistics were distributed for members to peruse.

Special Victims Unit Overview

Lt. Washington gave a brief overview of the Special Victims Unit, the Mental Health Unit, and the Human Exploitation Unit. More information can be found at https://www.alamance-nc.com/sheriff/wp-content/uploads/sites/25/2021/01/FINAL-1-15-21_ACSO-Annual-Report-2020-reduced-file-size.pdf

Topics of Discussion

- Members were given a copy of the citizen [complaint form currently on the Sheriff's website](#) (available in both English and Spanish) and were invited to offer feedback for changes.
- Updated bylaws were discussed, and the committee agreed to have the agenda, overview of meetings, along with a Zoom link available to the public on the [Sheriff's website](#). The committee will take the next few meetings to finish crafting the bylaws and membership guidelines.
- Members asked that information be released to the press regarding the formation of the committee, and also requested that Grandmaster Lee be invited to join.
- Discussion included the process for the Historic Courthouse Facility Reservation Permit Application. Major Sykes distributed copies of the application which are available on the Sheriff's website and agreed to be a guest on Dr. Covington's TV interview session to discuss an overview of the process.
- Members discussed the Atlanta shooting and expressed their concern for Asian hate crimes. The Sheriff's Office recently ran a report for incidents where Asians were victims in Alamance County from 2016 to now. The results were: 15 reported crimes where an Asian individual was a victim. None were hate crimes. There were 3 simple assaults and 1 robbery with a firearm (convenience store). The rest were non-violent incidents.

Next Meeting: TBA (April meeting was canceled)