Public Safety Department
July 2020 City Council Staff Report

POLICE

A new de-escalation control device was introduced to SCI Police Officers during department training. The device is the WRAP and is designed to stop conflicts quickly, achieve fast de-escalation, and provide rapid recovery for both staff and the subject. SCI Police Dept. instructors have been trained and certified on the WRAP control device.
All the other officers in the department will be trained and implement the policy before official use. A citizen has offered to pay for two of the WRAP devices.

We will be sending two school resource officers and a supervisor to the Forensic Interviewing Training (FIT). It is a three-day course. The course focuses on interviewing children.

The Black Desert Resort recently was burglarized. The amount of damage and theft was over $100,000. The detective found evidence at the scene tied to a case that St. George Police Dept. also had. They are continuing to work the case for any other leads.

We received a report of a missing juvenile. The detective was able to track the juvenile through Snapchat and located them in Northern Utah. It is believed, due to the media attention and tracking of useful information received from the police, the juvenile was found safe and in good health and returned home after four days.

The SCI Police Dept. has received a lot of community support and appreciation for their services to Santa Clara and Ivins' communities through letters, treats, and many in-person "thank you" to the office.

ANIMAL CONTROL

With cities lifting the COVID-19 restrictions, our Shelter has reopened our county's exchange program for adoptable animals. We were just given the word from the Human Society of Utah that the state and city have approved their vet clinic. They will begin intaking shelter animals for vet care at free or discounted prices by the end of July.

This month, seven animals were adopted, and five went to rescue. The total donations were $400. A senior cat was surrendered to the Shelter that had cancer. A vet recommended euthanasia. This was the first animal this year that was euthanized.

We have not had a large intake, but with the amount of in-take, we are adopting animals with a two or three-day turn around period. We helped St. George Shelter adopt out some fun animals this month. We took a hedgehog and ferret in from St. George Shelter. We found them great new homes. We also adopted out our remaining bunnies to bunny friendly homes.