

JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
INFORMAL MEETING NOTES
MARCH 7, 2022

Mayor Stanley called the March 7, 2022 Joplin City Council informal meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

In attendance were Council Members: Charles Cople, Keenan Cortez, Doug Lawson, Anthony Monteleone, Diane Reid Adams, Gary Shaw, Mayor Ryan Stanley, Phil Stinnett and Christina Williams. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

Downtown Joplin Alliance Quarterly Presentation

Lori Haun, Executive Director of Downtown Joplin Alliance presented.

2021 Accomplishments

- 75 Days of Events
- 19 New Businesses
- \$10 Million Private Investment
- Endangered Properties Program
- Business Connections

Coming in 2022

- Cornell Complex
- Memorial Hall
- Historic Renovations
- Empire Market - Empire Sprouts, Community Gardens, Workspace
- Empire Market – Community Kitchen
- Third Thursday
 - MARCH 17 - GO GREEN DOWNTOWN
 - APRIL 21 - AT YOUR SERVICE!
 - MAY 19 - BIG BIKE BASH
 - JUNE 16 - YOU BELONG IN JOPLIN
 - JULY 21 - DOWNTOWN WATERFEST
 - AUG 18 - DOG DAYS OF SUMMER
 - SEPT 15 - GREEN AND GOLD
 - OCT 20 - 3TH SPOOKTACULAR
- Other Events - Arts Fest, Summer Solstice Night Market, WineShare, Sidewalk Sale
- Public Spaces - Parklets, Food Truck Park, Entertainment District, Holiday Décor
- Clean Team - 16 Events planned, starting mid-March
- Surveys
- Marketing and Promotion

Crime Statistics Presentation

Chief Sloan Rowland presented.

- 2021 saw a decrease of 13.8% in violent crime compared to 2020
- 2021 saw a 0.37 % decrease overall from 2020
- Traffic Crashes for the year 2021 were down 2.59% compared to year 2020.
- Calls for service were down 7.6% from 2020 to 2021.
- Self-Initiated Activity by month shows a decrease as our officer openings peaked at 21 on June 1.
- DWI and Narcotics Arrests were down significantly (28.3 %) from 2020, due in large part to a reduction in staffing for the year.

Meeting adjourned at 5:52 PM.

Holly Nagy, City Clerk