

Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

October 24, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Councilor Reese at 1830 Hrs.

ROLL CALL

Present were: Councilor Reese and Councilor Deering

Also present: Mayor Bradley, Police Chief Williams

Absent: Councilor Smeltz

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Agenda adopted by Councilor Deering, seconded by Councilor Reese.

PUBLIC INPUT

Tena Hoffer, 82 East Main Street expressed her concern with pedestrian traffic in front of Joyland. She suggested that fencing be extended to force people to cross at the crosswalk. Mayor Bradley stated that the fencing cannot be extended because sidewalks are not installed. She also discussed the intersection at Fairview Street at the pool and asked that a stop sign be installed now that the intersection has been redesigned. Ms. Hoffer also discussed her concerns with the intersection at Marietta Avenue and Main Street.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular Public Safety Committee meeting held on September 26, 2016 were approved on a motion by Councilor Deering and a second by Councilor Reese.

FDMJ REPORT

None

EMA REPORT

Ken Barto will be out of town during Winterfest and will not be available. Several training events are scheduled in the near future including Search and Rescue, Winter Weather Hazards, and Event Planning. The next Emergency Management meeting will include training on the Phonetic Alphabet and Latitude/Longitude coordinates. The

committee thanked Mr. Barto for his service and wished him good luck on his pending retirement.

OLD BUSINESS

Event Request Ordinance

Chief Williams reported that he is still gathering information from surrounding municipalities.

Main Street Parking

No action.

Parking 44-48 E Main Street

New parking permits were issued to the residents at this location. All affected residents have been notified to stop in at the police department to pick up their new permits.

Crosswalk at E Main St and Marietta Ave

Chief Williams reported that he has found three different types of signs in use by nearby municipalities. The police department currently has an intern from Elizabethtown College and he has been working on getting information and contacts for this project. Arro Engineering worked with Lititz Borough in getting all the PennDOT approvals and this information has been passed on to the Public Works Director.

Delta Street Parking

A complaint was received from a resident regarding problems with parking on Delta Street near her residence. Chief Williams checked several times over the past month as well as officers and have not observed any issues. It is the Chief's opinion that there is no safety problem at this location.

NEW BUSINESS

Police Officer Candidate Interviews

Chief Williams reported that he has received the test results from the Consortium and has arranged to begin interviewing candidates. He explained the scoring method that will be used in selecting the top candidates.

Municipal Police Officer Radar Speed Enforcement

Chief Williams reported that Legislature has passed the bill allowing municipal officers to utilize radar for speed enforcement and it is awaiting House approval. The PA State Police is working on a plan to train all officers in the state free of charge. There is the possibility that grant money will be available to equip the cars at an estimated cost of \$3000 - \$5000 per vehicle.

BUDGET

Budget report submitted by Chief Williams showing line items that have exceeded the budget. Chief Williams noted that he is still waiting for the reimbursement for the rifle sights. He reported that overall, he is under budget for the year.

PUBLIC INPUT

Kim Brewer, Main Street Mount Joy, discussed the street banners and the need to have wind slits cut into the banners for safety reasons. She also reported that the bucket truck will be needed to tie the banners to the poles for Winterfest and she has already made notification to the Public Works Department.

Charles Glessner, 8 Walnut Street, Mount Joy reported that he met with Brenda Kready regarding the parade. The parade will now be coordinated by Main Street Mount Joy.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The committee went into Executive Session at 1945.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2008 Hrs. Councilor Deering made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilor Reese.

Submitted by Susan Birchall