

# **Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes**

**December 18, 2017**

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Councilor Hall at 1946 Hrs.

## **ROLL CALL**

Present were: Councilor Deering, Councilor Smeltz, Councilor Hall, Mayor Bradley, and Police Chief Williams. Also present was Borough Manager Sam Sulkosky.

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mayor Bradley requested that 'Any other matter proper to come before the committee' be moved to after the Public Input Period as Item 4.1. The agenda, with revision requested was adopted by Councilor Deering, seconded by Councilor Smeltz. Motion carried unanimously.

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

None

## **ANY OTHER MATTER PROPER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE**

The committee discussed how information flows between Borough Manager, Borough staff members, the Police Chief and Police staff members. Emphasis on importance for all to work together for the good of the Borough residents. Also discussed were budget monies for 2016 that were taken from the 2017 budget.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion to approve the minutes for the regular Public Safety Committee meeting held on November 27, 2017 was made by Councilor Smeltz. Motion seconded by Councilor Deering. Motion carried unanimously.

## **FDMJ REPORT**

Councilor Hall reported that Fire Chief Phil Colvin's term is ending and Matt Gohn will be the new Fire Chief for the next two year term.

## **EMA REPORT**

No report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Main Street Parking  
No report

Main & Marietta cross walk update  
Councilor Smeltz reported that he received the preliminary study funded by PennDOT. He met PennDOT and the engineers on December 14 to review the study and preliminary recommendations. Another meeting is scheduled for the middle of January to continue discussions with PennDOT.

Facilities Use Form  
No report

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Crosswalk at east entrance to Sassafras Terrace & Park Ave  
Mayor Bradley would like signs posted to make motorists aware there is a crosswalk at the top of the hill. Councilor Smeltz made a motion to add crosswalk signs to the crosswalk at entrance of Sassafras Terrace and Park Avenue. Councilor Deering seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Request for Noise Ord Exemption – Cyclones 2018  
A request for an exemption to the noise ordinance for the Cyclones 2018 season was received by Chief Williams. Councilor Smeltz stated that he received a complaint regarding the noise and reminded the Cyclones that even though the exemption will be granted, inappropriate noise will not be tolerated. Mayor Bradley stated that he has received complaints regarding the music played. Mayor Bradley asked that the group consider refraining from playing music during the event. Councilor Smeltz made the motion to approve the request and move the request to Borough Council. Councilor Hall seconded the motion. Councilor Deering abstained. Motion passed.

## **PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD**

None

## **ANY OTHER MATTER PROPER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE**

Mayor Bradley stated that a resident inquired about when the signs restricting truck traffic on Barbara Street will be installed. The signs haven't been installed yet. The truck restriction sign on New Street is no longer there. Councilor Hall requested that Chief Williams research to find if the sign that was on New Street was approved by an ordinance and report back to the committee at the next meeting.

Councilor Deering stated that the committee discussed at last month's meeting that all crosswalks should be painted. Public Works Director Nissley stated that no painting is currently scheduled. Councilor Smeltz stated that until changes are made to intersections, maintenance on painting the lines should continue. Chief Williams was instructed to send an email to Public Works Director Nissley on behalf of the committee stating that the Committee feels that intersections should be maintained to the standard until a change is made to the intersection.

Councilor Deering inquired on the status of Birchland Avenue regarding a speed study. Chief Williams stated that he will investigate borrowing a sign to use on Birchland Avenue. Mayor Bradley requested that Chief Williams research and get prices on purchasing our own mobile speed sign.

Mayor Bradley reported that he will be meeting with PennDOT on January 8 to further discuss parking issues and plans within the Borough.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS**

The committee went into Executive Session at 2056 Hrs.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 2102 Hrs. Councilor Smeltz made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilor Derring. Motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by Susan Birchall