

Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

March 27, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Councilor Fahndrich at 18:30 Hrs.

ROLL CALL

Present were: Councilor Fahndrich, Councilor Eichler, Councilor Castaldi, Mayor Bradley, Chief Goshen and Borough Manager Pugliese.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion to adopt the Public Safety Committee Meeting Agenda for March 27, 2023 as presented was made by Councilor Castaldi, seconded by Councilor Eichler. Motion to approve the Agenda as presented carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

Bruce Haigh, Borough Council, West Ward wanted to discuss three items: 1. Status of Pinkerton Alley signage for reduced vehicle use – per Chief Goshen, it is with Dennis Nissley, Public Works. Manager Pugliese explained that the truck traffic signage is still with the Solicitor. 2. He would like Public Safety to consider giving all Borough Council members agenda packets for monthly meetings ahead of time so they can better prepare themselves. He will address this with Public Works as well; Admin & Finance already does it. 3. Major opiate crisis in the United States and was wondering how Public Safety tracks it. Discussion on homeless kids in the school district also transpired. Councilor Castaldi appreciates Bruce Haigh's concerns and feels it should be on our radar.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the Minutes from the February 27, 2023 Public Safety Committee Meeting as presented was made by Councilor Eichler, seconded by Councilor Castaldi. Motion carried unanimously. Minutes from the February 27, 2023 meeting have been approved.

FDMJ REPORT

FDMJ Chief Brett Hamm was in attendance and reviewed the monthly Incident Report Summary which was included in the packet. There was a total of thirty-seven calls for the month of February 2023; eighty-one calls so far in 2023. Calls were every 17 hours and 28 minutes. The time in service for the month was 13 hours and 34 minutes. The average response time in February was 5:43 and the average arrival time was 13:29 with Fire Police calls. They averaged ten members per call for the month. Total man hours were 143 hours and 16 minutes. They did not have any fire prevention details, but had participated in one work detail. Thirty-nine

members were trained for a total of 304 hours and 0 minutes. There were twenty first due alarms; ten in the Borough, seven in Rapho Township, three in Mount Joy Township and zero in East Donegal Township. Two notable first due calls; one in Mount Joy Township and the other on East Donegal Street in Mount Joy Borough. They did not have any fire prevention details, but one work detail. Chief Hamm reminded the committee of the recruitment drive for FDMJ on Saturday, April 1, 2023 from 8am to 12noon. Councilor Castaldi expressed his and his wife's enjoyment at the fire department banquet. It was a nice event that recognized the entire department.

EMA REPORT

Mayor Bradley is still waiting for updated information for the EOP.

PSH LIFE LION REPORT

Adam Marden was in attendance and reviewed his monthly report for February which was included in the packet. There was a total of fifty-four 911 calls in the Borough; twenty-three Class 1, five Class 2 and twenty-six Class 3 calls. Their response time was 8:51. The busiest days of the week were Tuesday and Wednesday with ten calls each. The busiest unit was nightshift, specifically at 9pm. They were covered thirteen times in Mount Joy Borough. The fire at CTC ended up being a mass causality incident, which should not have happened. They transported twelve individuals initially and then transported another one four hours later. Relative to opiate calls, Adam Marden explained that when they go on a call and the patient wants help, they call the Second Chance responders who come to the scene and help facilitate a location for them. Blue Prints is located in Mount Joy Borough which is part of the Second Chance Program.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

a. County DTF Report and Borough Report

Chief Goshen discussed the Lancaster County DTF Report that was included in the packet. Overdose as well as death from overdose is included. Mount Joy Borough is absent from the Act 158 list. Chief Goshen reported that in 2022, we responded to thirteen overdoses (three- alcohol; five – prescription medications; four – heroin/fentanyl/opiate, of those four, three were recovered by Narcan and one resulted in death from drug overdose in Mount Joy Borough. Of those that we responded to, two were in Rapho Township and one was in Conoy. Overall, the county had 183 overdoses with twenty-four deaths. Data provided does not reflect how many times Narcan is administered on a single individual. Numbers are skewed because so many more people have access to Narcan. Chief Goshen explained that they had ten separate investigations that got two weapons off the street; total cash seizure was \$12,845; thirteen people were arrested, drugs encountered was marijuana, heroin, meth, cocaine and designer drugs. The total seizure: marijuana -23.26 grams, cocaine - 2 grams, meth

- 44.47 grams, heroin/fentanyl - 99.68 grams, seized over 229 designer tablets. Funds expended was \$8992.48 which is not a direct cost; includes training, court costs, etc.

Councilor Fahndrich requested that this report be available for full Council.

The subject of first aid kits in our Borough vehicles came up and Manager Pugliese stated municipalities under 10K do not get any funds so he is applying for a grant that is opening in June to obtain new upgraded first aid kits for the vehicles.

b. Fire Police Request – Mountville Borough

The request was sent to Manager Pugliese. We have our Memorial Day Parade on the same day so we are unable to assist due to the overlap. Manager Pugliese will respond to the request.

c. 2022 Civil Service Commission Report

The report was included in the packet; submitted annually; no comments.

d. EMA Application

Letter of interest included in packet. Discussion on handling these letters. Councilor Castaldi made a motion to authorize Manager Pugliese to review and interview all EMA Coordinator applicants and report back to full Council; seconded by Councilor Eichler. Motion carried unanimously.

e. Road Closure (Delta St) 2023 National Night Out – August 1st 1800-2000

Voyage Mount Joy is sponsoring this event as last year. National Night Out is on August 1, 2023 from 1800-2000, with the road closure request one hour preceding the event. Councilor Castaldi made a motion to move to full Council to consider the Delta Street road closure request on August 1, 2023 for National Night Out; seconded by Councilor Eichler. Motion carried unanimously.

f. Facilities Use Permit Proposal

Chief Goshen submitted a Facilities Use Permit Proposal that was included in the packet to start the conversation. Considerable discussion on the document. Committee to send Chief Goshen any suggested changes/ideas.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

ANY OTHER MATTER PROPER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

Councilor Eichler discussed powered scooters and wanted to know if it is a violation of Title 75. Chief Goshen explained that they fall under Title 75, Chapter 3703 (driving on a sidewalk), so scooters are only permitted on sidewalks. There is an amendment working its way through the House, (low powered electric scooters) to be added into Title 75. After discussion, Public Safety Committee is to consider working on an Ordinance to help maintain sidewalk safety for pedestrians.

Councilor Eichler mentioned that there is a Village of Mount Joy sign on 772 at Manheim Street as you cross over the bridge into Mount Joy Borough. Manager Pugliese will take a look at it.

Manager Pugliese stated that the post office dedication responses are due Tuesday, March 28, 2023. Due to the number of attendees, the location will probably need to be moved.

Manager Pugliese explained that at last Thursday's Admin & Finance meeting, they agreed to try to get preliminary packets to everyone on Wednesday; with final packets on Friday.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL/LEGAL MATTERS

An Executive Session was not held.

ADJOURNMENT

At 20:40 Hrs. Councilor Eichler made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Councilor Castaldi. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by Diana Ellis