

## **Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes**

**April 24, 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 April 24, 2023 as presented was made by Councilor Eichler, seconded by Councilor Fahndrich. Motion to approve the Agenda as presented carried unanimously.

### **PUBLIC INPUT**

None.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion to approve the Minutes from the March 27, 2023 Public Safety Committee Meeting as presented was made by Councilor Eichler, seconded by Councilor Fahndrich. Motion carried unanimously. Minutes from the March 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 fifty-two calls for the month of March 2023; one hundred thirty-three calls so far in 2023. Calls were every 17 hours and 28 minutes. The time in service for the month was 22 hours and 50 minutes. The average response time in March was 5:40 and the average arrival time was 9:41 with Fire Police calls. They averaged eight- and one-half members per call for the month, but during the daytime hours they average five members per call; daytime is becoming a problem. Total man hours were 194 hours and 11 minutes. They had one fire prevention detail which was a pre-planning meeting with the Amazon distribution facility. FDMJ participated in two in-station work details, one duty crew, one funeral detail, recruitment day and participated in Breakfast with a Cop. Forty-eight members were trained for a total of 315 hours and 18 minutes. There were thirty-seven first due alarms; twenty-three in the Borough, ten in Rapho Township, two in Mount Joy Township and two in East Donegal Township. There were no notable fires in the Borough. During the recruitment drive, they received four applications; one was for an active firefighter.

## **EMA REPORT**

Mayor Bradley received updated information for the EOP today so it will be ready for the new EMA Coordinator.

## **PSH LIFE LION REPORT**

Adam Marden was in attendance and reviewed his monthly report for March which was included in the packet. There was a total of seventy-two 911 calls in the Borough; thirty-five Class 1, eight Class 2 and twenty-nine Class 3 calls. Their response time was 7:41. The busiest days of the week were Wednesday and Thursday with thirteen calls, followed by Sunday, Monday and Friday with twelve calls. The busiest unit was the dayshift unit; busiest hour of the day was 1700 Hrs. They were covered eleven times in Mount Joy Borough. They had a unit at Mount Joy Community Days.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Facilities Use Permit – (In Process)  
The permit will be discussed at tomorrow's staff meeting.
- b. Parking Road/Study – Pinkerton Road (In Process)  
Still working on it.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. EMS week May 21-27, 2023

Adam Marden explained that EMS recognition week is May 21-27, 2023. Some municipalities are offering donuts and coffee (West Hempfield and Columbia on Tuesday and Thursday). Donations of gift cards and other things will be given out as well. Typically, the donuts and coffee are offered on dayshift which is approximately 16-20 people. Night shift starts at 6pm. Mayor Bradley will do a proclamation for EMS week at the next council meeting which is May 1, 2023, and he will also do one for Police week. Adam will send a couple staff members to the meeting as he will be at a saved ceremony. Manager Pugliese will take recommendations from this committee for EMS week. Councilor Eichler made a motion to move to full Council the recommendation that the Borough recognizes EMS week May 21-27, 2023 by offering refreshments for Penn State Life Lion; seconded by Councilor Fahndrich. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Milanof-Schock Library End of Summer Benefit - August 25, 2023

Chief Goshen received an email request for partial road closure on Farmview Lane from School Lane to Bent Oak Drive on August 25, 2023 to allow food trucks for their event. He has no issues with the request, however there were no hours included in the email. Mayor Bradley recommends that this committee moves forward with the request with the caveat that the Library Director needs to provide exact times for the closure request prior to the Council meeting. Councilor Eichler made a motion to move to full Council

the Milanof Schock road closure request from School Lane to Bent Oak Drive for their End of Summer Birthday Bash August 25, 2023 to allow food trucks with the caveat that the Library Director provides times by May 1, 2023; seconded by Councilor Castaldi. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Voyage Mount Joy Car Show Street closure – July 22, 2023

Ron Carper spoke on behalf the Taste of Mount Joy Cruising Cuisine Car Show (co-chairs Linda Eberly and Ferne Silberman were present), on continuing the car show after MSMJ indicated they were no longer going to do it. Since this event has been going on for twenty years, they felt it should continue. There are twelve people on the committee. The street closure would be from Beanies to Barbara Street and they would like to showcase the downtown restaurants so they would like to have a food court on Delta Street. Chief Goshen had no issue with the request. Mayor Bradley asked if Market Street was to be closed as well from Henry Street to Main Street, as MSMJ had done in the past. They indicated in the affirmative. Mayor Bradley inquired about ensuring that there were restroom facilities available and to make sure the locations are posted. They have reached out to churches, etc., and/or they may get port-a-johns. Mayor Bradley suggested that they provide a point of contact to the EMA Coordinator and to reach out to FDMJ for fire police presence if they plan to use them. Mayor Bradley will provide the previous year's EMA plan to them. Ron Carper explained that any proceeds from the show will go to Friends of Donegal who will be providing some volunteer help. Chief Goshen indicated the need for a new COI. Their next meeting is May 3, 2023 at 8am at The Gathering Place. Councilor Castaldi made a motion to move to full Council the Taste of Mount Joy Cruising Cuisine Car Show street closure request on July 22, 2023; seconded by Councilor Eichler. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Aggressive Driving Enforcement Campaign results

Report prepared by Sergeant Drexel was provided in the packet. During the period of March 20 to April 17, 2023, there were fifty-two stops with thirty-two citations specifically for aggressive driving in the Borough. This is a grant driven program; more enforcement waves coming up. The areas targeted are based off of crash report information in the Borough. Councilor Castaldi made a motion to move to full Council the Aggressive Driving Enforcement Campaign results for information and discussion; seconded by Councilor Eichler. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Bruce Haigh, Borough Council, West Ward inquired as to the date(s) of National Fire Prevention week. International Fire Firefighter Day is May 4, while Fallen Firefighter week is the first week in October.

Bruce Haigh, Borough Council, West Ward inquired with Chief Goshen about Wood Street and South Market Avenue, specifically at the corner property labeled 300. Currently, there is a paved sidewalk for that first house that is paved to the street and there is a truck that parks at the stop sign. He wanted it discussed with Dennis Nissley so there is an actual sidewalk, separate from the street. There is no off-street parking. An ADA handicap ramp is going to be

installed between the telephone pole and the storm water drain. Looks like it will be a single ramp with the ramp across Wood Street and South Market Avenue.

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

Councilor Eichler has had discussions with some constituents in the East concerning the owl in the park. People/photographers are crossing the creek which is disturbing the adult owl teaching the owlings to fly. People are walking dogs unleashed; disk golf is going on, etc. Somehow, we need to get people to become aware that from April to the first week of May is a critical time for the owls. Mayor Bradley would like the committee to come up with something as a protection area for next year. Councilor Eichler would like the Borough to have authority to post temporary closure notices for conservation/nesting purposes. Bruce Haigh mentioned that Borough Council will get a motion from Public Works on May 1, 2023 (Council meeting) for the members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and this sounds like something that would be conducive for them to come up with a solution incorporating the ideas from this committee. Since it is an enforceable piece, Mayor Bradley would like their feedback but wants it to stay with Public Safety Committee. Manager Pugliese said the members of the Board are actually the study group for the grant for the masterplan for the park.

Councilor Fahndrich inquired about Community Days. Chief Goshen said it was great; very well attended event, over 200 people in attendance. Events included fish demonstrations, disk golf and yoga. Shelby brought 150 succulents and were gone in two hours. Free hot dogs and chips were provided.

Mayor Bradley inquired about the Mother's Day Convoy plan and it is not quite finalized yet.

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

The committee went into Executive Session at 19:47 Hrs. and ended 20:25 Hrs. Councilor Castaldi made a motion to move to full Council the recommendation of Phil Colvin to the position of EMA Coordinator, seconded by Councilor Eichler. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 20:27 Hrs. Councilor Eichler made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Councilor Castaldi. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by Diana Ellis