

Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Councilor Fahndrich at 18:31 Hrs. In light of the Coronavirus Emergency Declarations issued by the Borough of Mount Joy, the Governor of Pennsylvania and the President of the United States, this public meeting was held as a virtual meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present were: Councilor Fahndrich, Councilor Eichler, Councilor Castaldi, Mayor Bradley and Chief Williams. Also present was Borough Manager Sulkosky.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Councilor Castaldi, seconded by Councilor Eichler. Motion to adopt the Agenda carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the Minutes for the Public Safety Committee meeting held on March 23, 2020 was made by Councilor Eichler, seconded by Councilor Castaldi. Motion to approve Minutes carried unanimously.

FDMJ REPORT

FDMJ Chief Gohn was not in attendance; report is usually sent electronically, however no report received to date.

EMA REPORT

Matt Kratz was not in attendance and no report was received. Councilor Fahndrich will reach out to Matt Kratz about submitting monthly reports, especially during COVID-19.

SVEMS REPORT

Captain Blanchflower was not in attendance and no report was received. Chief Williams stated that EMS distributed PPE to both the Police and Fire Departments.

OLD BUSINESS

Main Street Parking

President Hall sent an email to PennDOT which was acknowledged stating proposal is still before their lawyers; everything is on hold due to the COVID-19.

Main & Marietta Cross Walk Update

Borough Manager Sulkosky last heard from Jason Bulley in January, but has continued to email him in February, March and April, but hasn't heard back from him. He also sent an email to Steve Bomberger of Pennsy Supply to see if he heard anything from PennDOT but he has not been given the green light as of 04/27/2020.

Left Turn Phase Criteria

Nothing new to report. Councilor Fahndrich will reach out to PennDOT to see if construction will resume on May 1, 2020.

Train Station Parking Technology

Nothing new to report; everything on hold until maintenance agreement is signed.

NEW BUSINESS

MSMJ 2020 Memorial Day Parade Status - Postponed

Chief Williams spoke with Dave Schell who stated that it was postponed; considering another date. However, Borough Manager Sulkosky saw on MSMJ website that it was cancelled. A parade may still take place but under a different name.

PPE Status

The Police Department received two shipments of PPE from Lancaster County EMA which amounted to 140 - N95 masks in the first shipment and another 100 in the second shipment. They also received 100 surgical masks, ten Tyvek smocks and several boxes of disposable gloves so we are pretty well stocked.

Mayor Bradley inquired about cleaning supplies. Chief Williams ordered wipes and disinfectant spray from Office Basics; tentative delivery date of 05/25/2020. The Police Department received a donation today of disposable gloves, hand

sanitizer, hand soap, wipes and alcohol to make disinfectant. Currently we have enough products to last approximately two months.

Mayor Bradley also inquired about any other avenues to access these products. Chief Williams stated that Borough Manager Sulkosky and Public Works Manager Dennis Nissley reached out to him about ordering supplies and he piggy-backed on their order for additional wipes and skin guard protectant; anticipated delivery of 05/11/2020.

COVID-19 Signage

Mayor Bradley had a constituent reach out to him about utilizing COVID-19 signs similar to ones in Lancaster but here in Mount Joy; sign was shown. Discussion ensued about the verbiage on the sign; potential locations to post signs; and other signs seen by members of the Public Safety Committee. The Department of Health has much information on their website as well. The Committee members will bring sign options to the next meeting. In the meantime, Mayor Bradley suggested that the Borough push out COVID-19 cautions weekly on social media.

PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

None.

ANY OTHER MATTER PROPER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

Chief Williams received communication from Dean Marriott stating that any special events or banner permits will not be issued and are on hold until the Governor lifts the 'stay at home' order which he wasn't sure if that will be statewide or by county. The time limit for filing has been waived so once the order has been lifted, the requests will go in order of receipt. The library's banner was to go up on 06/01/2020 for their event on 06/11/2020, however Chief Williams has not heard from any Library personnel as to the status of their event since the Library is closed. Mayor Bradley will reach out to a Library employee and communicate with Chief Williams.

The subject of social media policy came up at the Admin/Finance meeting.

Mayor Bradley inquired with Chief Williams about social media policies for both department's and officers' personal Facebook pages. Chief Williams has a meeting with Lexipol on 04/28/2020 to review the policies that are specific to police departments. All Lexipol polices are defensible from a federal and state level.

Councilor Castaldi made a motion to direct the Chairperson of the Public Safety Committee (Councilor Fahndrich) to pen a letter to Chairman Youngerman of the Admin/Finance Committee indicating the Public Safety Committee's support on having separate social media policies for both the Borough employees and the Police

Department employees. Motion seconded by Councilor Eichler; motion passed unanimously. Once the Police Department's policies are completed, Chief Williams will email a copy of the policies along with Councilor Fahndrich's letter to Admin/Finance.

There will be two sets of policies – organizational and employee media. There will be a total of four policies – two for the Borough and two for the Police Department. The social medial policy for the employees will be ready for the next council meeting.

Mayor Bradley reviews all policies with the Chief of Police. The Chief's reports will include the titles of policies as they completed/published internally.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS

The committee went into Executive Session at 19:55 Hrs. and ended at 20:05 Hrs.

ADJOURNMENT

At 20:06 Hrs. Councilor Eichler made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilor Castaldi. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by: Diana Ellis