

Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Councilor Fahndrich at 18:33 Hrs.

ROLL CALL

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Councilor Eichler, seconded by Councilor Hall. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

Josh Deering requested that Matt Spatola be contacted by Sergeant Drexel; Chief Williams to follow up with Sergeant Drexel.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes for the Public Safety Committee meeting held on December 17, 2018 were made by Councilor Eichler, with the notation of a spelling correction of Councilor Fahndrich's name. Motion seconded by Councilor Hall. Motion carried unanimously.

FDMJ REPORT

FDMJ Chief Gohn was not in attendance but previously provided the committee with an email report.

EMA REPORT

Matt Kratz was not in attendance but previously provided the committee with an email report.

SVEMS REPORT

Captain Blanchflower discussed a correction to her report that the truck was out eight of fifty eight times, but Mount Joy was on call in the borough. The Police Department received six fully stocked first aid kits; contact Captain Blanchflower for any additional supplies. SVEMS recommended fifteen patients to Second Chance program; still working to get more units involved. Discussion on the Second Chance program commenced amongst Captain Blanchflower and the committee.

OLD BUSINESS

Main Street Parking

Mayor Bradley met with personnel from the Michael Baker group who made some broad recommendations. A more formal meeting to commence in March/April. Councilor Fahndrich mentioned that Dave Schell of Main Street Mount Joy is interested in becoming involved with this matter.

Main & Marietta Cross Walk Update

Mayor Bradley has no report but will report next month.

Facilities Use Form

Councilor Hall provided the committee with a draft of the form. Committee to review and bring to the next meeting.

Special Event – 5K Run

Council previously approved the route. If any changes are needed/requested; need to have them by March 1, 2019 as it will need to go back to council. Councilor Hall requested Borough Manager Sulkosky to send her the information from last council meeting. Race is scheduled for April 27, 2019, rain or shine.

Patrol Vehicle Preemptor Installation

Three preemptor receivers were installed; fourth one will be installed when we rotate out the vehicle. The preemptor receivers/installation was already a budgeted item.

Parking Ordinance Amendment

Chief Williams provided copy of proposed ordinance to committee. Chief Williams to get further clarification on citation issuance.

NEW BUSINESS

New Vehicle Matrix 2019

2013 Ford Interceptor will be retired soon. Chief Williams provided a matrix of new vehicles for comparison. Mayor Bradley requested Chief Williams to research the cost of a Dodge Charger as a possible swap with the Chief's current Ford Explorer and bring to next month's meeting.

Traffic Count – Locust Lane for P.W. Grant

Public Works requested an informal traffic count on Locust Lane; need <500 vehicles per day, before we proceed with formal traffic count. Chief Williams to set it up.

Second Chance Program

Chief Williams reviewed the program with the committee. There is no cost to the police department to partner with it, other than 1 to 1½ hours of training. Mayor Bradley agreed with the partnership.

Open Part-Time Police Officer Position

With the departure of Officer Klinepeter, Chief Williams would like to pursue hiring a part time officer to replace him. Due to the costs associated with annual certifications, the committee would like the Chief to do an analysis of the potential gaps anticipated this year as there is not enough information to proceed.

PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Josh Deering, 33 Frank Street, expressed concern about the parking situation. He was instructed to call the police department if it constitutes a safety hazard. Chief Williams will get clarification about painting the crosswalks and communicate accordingly with Public Works for painting and Josh Deering.

Brian Youngerman, West Ward, referenced 6109 of the vehicle code, would like Chief Williams to provide further clarification on signage of entrance to a roadway.

Discussion of Main Street Mount Joy on the closure of Main Street for parade on 5/25/19 will be coming up at the next borough council meeting.

ANY OTHER MATTER PROPER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

Mayor Bradley discussed the flooding situation. Councilor Fahndrich will reach out to Matt from EMA to provide some dates to attend a meeting to discuss an emergency operation plan and after action flood plan.

Councilor Hall discussed that there are six individuals interested in the vacant council position. A list of questions will be sent to the individuals in advance of the meeting. Names will be drawn at random to select the order of presentation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS

The committee went into Executive Session at 20:24 Hrs.

ADJOURNMENT

At 20:58 Hrs. Councilor Eichler made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilor Hall. Motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by Diana Ellis