

**Public Safety Commission
Meeting
16 April 2015**

The Public Safety Commission's (PSC) monthly meeting was held on Thursday, 16 April 2015 at 7:00 PM in the first floor conference room (former town library) of Town Hall. Present: Commission Chairperson Cindy Collier, Commission Members Terri Hollingshead, Scott Stavrou and Rick Byrd. Commission member Marty Love was absent with prior notice. Also present PSC Council Liaison Sean Haardt of the Mayor and Council (M&C) and Officer Taylor of the Boonsboro Police Department (BPD). No guests were present.

Welcome:

Collier called the meeting to order, welcomed those in attendance and passed out the meeting's agenda as well minutes from February 2015 Public Safety Commission (PSC) meeting.

Minutes:

Collier allowed for a few minutes review of the February 2015 PSC meeting minutes. Motion Hollingshead second Byrd to officially accept February 2015 PSC meeting minutes.

Citizen Comments:

No citizens present for comments

Fire/Rescue Report:

Fire/Rescue Liaison Steve Mohl was not present, no report given.

M&C Report:

Mayor and Council Liaison Sean Haardt reviewed www.cyclemaryland.gov and the potential grants that exist for municipalities to submit application for grant money from the State of Maryland and the Federal Government. The commission reviewed the information as well as reviewed the applications to assess the feasibility of applying for these grant moneys. The commission agreed that potential "leg work" should be done prior to attempting to submit a grant application. The commission decided that due the deadlines to submit these particular grants being in mid and late May it would not be feasible to submit a quality grant application this year, however the commission did decide to start reviewing the process in greater detail after National Night Out has concluded, so that the commissions complete focus could be given to the grant process. Haardt also mentioned to the PSC about the upcoming Green Fest on May 9th 2015. Haardt then fielded a question from Hollingshead about the "Pay as You Throw" program. Haardt mentioned that further details needed to be discussed and a town hearing needed to take place before any decisions would be made. Haardt also mentioned that details pertaining to the Aquatic Center were still ongoing and no further updates could be given at this point.

BPD:

No official report given.

Officer Taylor did mention the new lettering in the BPD as well as the cameras in the Boonsboro Park being fully functional and in operation for park safety.

Old Business:

Terri Hollingshead discussed details of her phone call to the Town of Myersville about their recent sidewalk renovation process. Hollingshead mentioned that this program called "Sidewalk Retrofit" cost a total of 2 million dollars, 450 thousand dollars came from grant money from the State of Maryland and additional 1.5 million had to be taken out in loans. Hollingshead did mention that the grant program did actually even help the Town of Myersville find the loans for the program.

New Business:

National Night Out (NNO) – the commission started the process of securing the vendors and help for NNO on Tuesday August 4th 2015. Commission members agreed contact the following in the coming days to secure their attendance at this year's NNO.

Hollingshead:
Bonnie at the Red Byrd
Thompsons Gas
Jeff Taulton (DJ)
Steve Mohl
Damsels in Defense

Byrd:
Michael T. Myers (magician)
David Robbins (DNR)

Stavrou:
The Antique Tractor Club
Antietam Cable

Haardt:
Laura (Bookmobile)

Haardt reported that the Mayor and Council have approved the additional number of members for the PSC to take the number from 5 current to 7. As well the M&C agreed to add the position of Co-Chair to the PSC.

Chairperson Cindy Collier announced her resignation from the Chair position as well as the PSC. The commission agreed to table nominations and elections for future meetings once other members have been added to the PSC as well as give time for current members to reflect on their interest and nominations.

Adjournment:

Motion by Stavrou, second by Hollingshead to adjourn at 8:32 PM. Motion Carried. The next Public Safety Commission meeting to be held May 21, 2015 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/

Cindy Collier,
Public Safety Commission Chairperson