

# Boonsboro Public Safety Commission

## Thursday, October 15, 2020

Attendance: Rick Stevens, Christi Weaver, Greg Seymour, Kim LaBrush, Chief Kevin Morgan and Liaison Ray Hanson

Chairman Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:00. The August minutes were read and approved by Greg and seconded by Christi.

### Old Business:

Christi stated that NNO has been cancelled to COVID 19. She also talked about Washington Goes Purple and reported that due to the election, both Emily Keller and Vicky Sterling would be contacted at a later date. Our plan is to finish our drug walk in the spring. Depending on the status of the virus, it could be pushed back even further. Will update as she gets a response. We are looking for two individuals to fill the vacancy on the PSC. Kim stated that she will speak to a lady from Fletcher's Grove and get back with us next month. That leaves one vacancy and Kim is to post on the town page. There was some confusion with the notification of new members to the commission. Christi asked Kim to send a message to the newly approved members, which she sent one to Kim, but stated that this is the responsibility of the committee chair or liaison.

### New Business:

Rick spoke to the members about a call he received from a resident on Orchard Drive regarding cars parking in front of his residence and on his property. The resident also stated that he had to replace the French drain because people crushed it when turning around and parking on his property. Christi spoke up and said the same resident had been to her home and complained about the same and also the amount of traffic and running the stop sign. Rick explained that he saw two options with adding signs. First sign 15 feet from fire hydrant because the shoulder narrows on this property and 2nd option to put up no parking on this side of street. The signs would be spaced out so that might work. There is no red curb by the hydrant at the corner of Orchard Drive and Center Street. Kevin suggested that the resident put a retention wall. Chairman Stevens asked what is the purpose of the PSC when we are wasting our time and never receive any written or verbal communication from the Mayor & Council and the Town employees?? This issue is listed on tonight's agenda and signs are up. There has to be a way to communicate better with the commissions.

Kim asked what can be done with the bikers in Kinsey Heights who ride without helmets. Kevin said to call the police department and leave a message if they aren't there. Chief say he didn't receive any complaints. Chairman Stevens addressed Trick or Treat and asked if we had enough volunteers to help with cross walks and crossing streets. Kevin said they would have flashers and they had coverage. Discussion was held about the upcoming events being held at Dan's Restaurant. Kim stated that the elderly people at School House Manor were upset because of what they had seen all week on the television in Baltimore. Rick said that there were many town folks who were feeling uneasy with all the rumors. Chief stated that they had coverage and the State Police and County would be on alert and could be there in 30 minutes or less.

Police Report: Chief Morgan stated that they had placed the speed trailer at the end of Orchard Drive and had 3,499 cars travel this area in 5 days. He gave the bread down and stated that every car stopped at the stop sign. He also said he received calls from the owners of Dan's that friends would be coming into town to eat and support their restaurant this weekend. Kevin said that Amy received a grant to purchase a tag reader.

Ambulance/Rescue Report: Jean was absent, but Christi stated that this weekend was the last chicken bbq and bake sale.

Liaison Report: Councilman Hanson said that other commissions were also looking for residents to fill openings in the EDC and Environmental Commissions. He said that Boonsboro was still in the State of Emergency. Ray obtained, but says the state gives funding for masks, spray, etc. He said he was going to discuss better ways of communication with the Mayor & Council.

Greg made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Kim at 7:54.

Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 19 at 7:00

Respectfully submitted,  
Christi Weaver