

## Public Safety Committee Meeting

February 20, 2020

Present: Rick Stevenson, Chairman, Greg Seymour, Christi Weaver, Jen Paugh, Chad Matthews, Jean Burns

Council Liaison: Ray Hansen

Chief of Police: Kevin Morgan

Chairman Rick Stevens called the meeting to order at 1900 hours. The minutes were read and Approved. Motion was made to accept the minutes by Jen Paugh and second by Christi Weaver.

Old Business: Report on Cert Training. Chad has attempted to reach Tom Brown but has had no response from Mr. Brown. Suggested we work with the Ambulance company to set up a teaching session for the local residents. Chad was instructed to contact Chief Morgan Boyd or Captain Natalie Coffman to set up a training program for interested citizens.

Christi announced that Vicki Sterling, who is helping Emily Keller with Washington County Goes Purple, will be setting a date in the near future to canvass the town for unused or outdated drugs. Washington County Sheriff has been contacted but there has been no response.

The budget for our committee was reviewed and Rick suggested we ask for itemization since we appeared to have a deficit.

New Business: Recommendation from the committee to go to the Mayor and Council that we increase our members from seven to nine. It was suggested that we have representation from the Fire Department and the Ambulance Company. Oley Griffith was approached for the Fire Department with names of interested persons but has not responded.

There was a discussion of reappointment of Chad Matthews to the committee since his term has expired. He is interested in remaining a part of the committee at this time and his schedule has changed and he hopefully will be able to attend more meetings. There was some discussion of how many meetings were to be attended to remain as a member. Motion was made by Jen and second by Greg Seymour that a recommendation be sent to the Mayor and council for clarification.

Crys Galivan, a local citizen, has expressed an interest to be a part of this committee.

She has volunteered with the American Red Cross as well as other organizations. A motion was made by Christi and second by Jen that she be recommended to the Mayor and Council to be added to the PSC.

It was recommended that speed limit signs be placed at the Intersection of Sycamore Run and Monument Drive. Signs are the responsibility of the Developer until area is turned over to the town. Motion was made by Christi and second by Greg that a recommendation be sent to the Mayor and Council to request these signs be posted.

Chief of Police: Kevin gave his monthly report. He still has an Officer in the Academy. He reported that he was able to purchase three used cars with low mileage to replace the older cars for his department. He received a request from a citizen to change the direction of Brining Lane from Center Street to Main Street to Main Street to Center Street due to increased traffic and difficulty getting out onto Main Street. Motion was made by Christi and second by Jean to send a recommendation to Mayor and Council for this change. Another area to be studied will be the reversal of Thomas Drive to Della. The committee will do a visual and let Rick know their thoughts. Rick ask Kevin if he thought a Neighborhood Watch Program could be implemented to help with reduction of vandalism? Kevin stated that the community as a whole was extremely vigilant and reported questionable activity that might be happening in their area. He felt all citizens were doing a good job.

EMS Report: Jean reported that both ambulances were up and running. Both had minor repairs that were being addressed. The Girls Scouts will be selling cookies at the Station 69 on March 1, 2020 from 1400 hrs to 1600 hrs. The Company's first Chicken BarB-Que will be held on April 18<sup>th</sup>. Also reminded everyone that the Carnival will be held May 22 through May 30, 2020 and encouraged all to come out support the organization.

Council Liaison: Ray reported that they are making the necessary repairs on the well at Keedysville. A Safety Committee has been started for the employees for the town. Also, he will be taking our requests from the meeting back to the Mayor Council.

Meeting adjourned at 2025 hours. The next meeting will be held be held March 19, 2020 at 1900 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jean E. Burns".