

MINUTES
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
March 5, 2019

The Public Safety Committee met on March 5, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall.

Present: Chairman Hughes, Alderman Sharp, Alderman Braun

Others in attendance: Clerk Hurd, Mayor White,
Police Chief Mettille, Fire Chief Benisch

Absent: None

Chairman Hughes called the meeting to order at 4:30pm. Chairman Hughes asked to move agenda item New/Old Property Maintenance to the beginning of the agenda in order to hear from resident Kati Callahan. There were no objections.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kati Callahan will address the committee under New/Old Property Maintenance.

NEW/OLD PROPERTY MAINTENANCE:

419 Second Street: Chief Benisch informed the committee that Assistant Chief Hurd had performed the property maintenance violation report. Committee members were given a copy of the report; Mayor White explained to Ms. Callahan that a complaint had been received for her property. Mayor explained the process for property maintenance complaints and informed her that an evaluation had been done on her property. A copy of the report was given to Ms. Callahan. A lengthy discussion was held in regards to the evaluation. Ms. Callahan informed the committee that repairs had been stopped due to financial reasons. Mayor White asked Ms. Callahan to submit a plan of repair to the committee with dates of completion to present at the next Public Safety Meeting.

BUDGET REVIEW

Chief Mettille stated that he had reviewed the budget and he is within the budget at this time.

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APPLICATION SPECIAL EVENT VFW:

Clerk Hurd presented the special event request for the annual Cruise In/Car Show as submitted by the VFW Post #4999. The consensus of the committee was to proceed with council approval for the event.

FLOOD PLAIN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT:

Office Manager Passage informed the committee that the city's code will need to be updated. She is working with the Department of Natural Resources. She informed the committee that she had been waiting on new Flood Plain Maps from the county before updating the code. It was recommended by the Department of Natural Resources to proceed with the update without the maps. She asked that the committee review the ordinance that was presented to them and asked that it be address at a future meeting.

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POLICE UPDATE:

Chief Mettille presented and reviewed monthly reports.

Chief Mettille informed the committee that Officer Hesterberg had been chosen as the second School Resource Officer.

Chief Mettille informed the committee that Dustin Bays has been chosen by the Police Commission as the new officer pending background checks.

Chief Mettille updated the committee on Officer Bastain's son Wally saying he is doing well with his heart transplant. He stated fundraising for the family is going well and he thanked the committee for their support to the family.

Chief informed the committee that he is working on surveillance camera cost sharing program. He explained the program would be similar to the City's Sidewalk Program. He would like to implement \$5,000.00 into his budget for the program. He went over some of the guidelines for the program. Discussion was held. Chief Mettille will present the application and program guidelines at the next committee meeting.

FIRE UPDATE:

Chief Benisch presented and reviewed monthly reports.

OLD BUSINESS

422 Wilmott:

Clerk Hurd informed the committee that Roger Kimble had paid for a demolition permit for the garage. He informed Office Manager Passage that the garage will be down by March 7, 2019.

AGENDA ITEMS

Special Event Request – VFW Post #4999

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:06p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret E. Hurd, City Clerk