



**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**  
**February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016**  
**7:30 p.m.**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Call to order:** Chairperson K. Farrell called the meeting to order.

**Attendance:**

- **Committee members present:** Chairperson K. Farrell, Councilor C. Soltysiak, Councilor J. Conners Councilor J. Mixon, and Councilor M. Ashton Young,
- **Committee members absent:** None.
- **Others present:** Vice President R. Bunker, Borough Manager G. Locke, Public Works Foreman J. Riggins, Fire Chief K. Lynch, Fire Chief M. Brogan, Police Chief A. DiValentino, and Engineer M. Saylor.

**Public Comment:** None at this time.

**Reports**

- **Police Department** - A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Police Chief A. DiValentino wanted to highlight that as directed, a handicap spot was placed in front of 472 Leedom Street as well as four parking passes were distributed to Leedom Street to allow them to park at the metered parking on Hillside Avenue. Police Chief A. DiValentino also wanted to thank the Public Works Department on their clean up and wanted the committee to know that 38 residents were ticketed for not removing the snow at their property, 30 hours after the storm had ended. The reason the Police Department enforced this Ordinance because of the children walking to School.
- **Second Alarmers** - A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.
- **Pioneer Fire Company** – A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.
- **Independent Fire Company-** A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.

**New Business**

1. **Fire Commission Meeting**– Chairperson K. Farrell stated that the next Fire Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm at Borough Hall. Representatives from Joyce Insurance Company will be in attendance to answer any questions. Questions need to be forwarded to the Borough by the week of February 15<sup>th</sup> so Joyce may have the time to prepare for the meeting.
2. **Fire Department Insurance Concerns** – Borough Manager G. Locke stated that the President of Pioneer, Bill Adair, had concerns regarding the new insurance policy and would put them in writing. Borough Manager G. Locke has yet to receive the concerns. Mr. Adair also requested that the insurance company would appear at the January 19<sup>th</sup> Fire Commission meeting but they were unable to attend and will be attending this month's meeting. Chairperson K. Farrell requested that

this be provided in writing prior to the Fire Commission Meeting so the Administration can research the issues.

3. **Snow Emergency Route/ Snow Removal** – Borough Manager G. Locke stated that Mayor E. Foley has previously discussed this issue and that Borough Manager G. Locke placed this on the agenda to revisit the roads that are declared Snow Emergency Routes. Some roads that are on there when a Snow Emergency is declared the Borough cannot properly enforce it because the residents do not have driveways and they would have nowhere to park. Chairperson K. Farrell asked that Borough Manager G. Locke and Public Works Foreman K. Riggins put together a list of possible Snow Emergency Routes and to discuss them with the Fire Department.
4. **Water Testing** – Chairperson K. Farrell stated that AQUA appears at the Borough at least monthly, if not biweekly to test the water of the Borough. During the Administration and Finance meeting it was discussed to have an independent third party test the water in the same spot to confirm what AQUA has been telling the Borough. The Public Safety Committee fully supports the idea of an independent third party inspection.

#### **Old Business**

1. **School Zone Safety Lights Update** – No new updates. Chairperson K. Farrell is moving along as scheduled.
2. **Fire Department Training Assessment** –No new information has been received. Borough Manager G. Locke stated that the Assessments have been completed at both houses recently.
3. **Fire Department Audit of Expenditures** – Borough Manager G. Locke stated that would be at the same time as the Borough Audit. The procedure has started for the annual audit. The process will be continuing over the next few weeks and the committee will be updated as it goes along.

**Adjournment:** On motion of Chairperson K. Farrell, seconded by Councilor J. Connors, the motion to adjourn the meeting passed unanimously.