

## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE July 8th, 2015 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 J. Conners, Councilor C. Soltysiak, Councilor K. McGlonn, and Councilor J. Mixon
- Committee members absent: Councilor C. Durkin
- **Others present**: Vice President R. Bunker, Borough Manager G. Locke, Public Works Director T. Frank, and Police Chief A. DiValentino.

Public Comment: None.

### Reports

- Police Department A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Police Chief A. DiValentino wanted to highlight that the physical agility test for the Civil Service Exam will be held tomorrow, July 9<sup>th</sup>, at the high school football field.
- Second Alarmers No Report
- **Pioneer Fire Company –** No Report
- Independent Fire Company- No Report

### **New Business**

- Borough Parking Sub-Committee Update Borough Manager G. Locke stated that he met with Carolyn Hirsch today and Lindy was very pleased with the new agreement. Once more information is received on the Lindy lot at 207 Leedom Street the committee will be updated. Borough Manager G. Locke wanted to inform the Borough that there is may be a plan for a surface lot in the near future.
- 2. Controlled Pedestrian Crosswalk / Traffic Count July 10<sup>th</sup> Borough Manager G. Locke wanted to inform the Committee that Pennoni has been discussing the controlled pedestrian crosswalk at Summit Avenue and York Road with Council. Borough Manager G. Locke did sign an agreement to have a traffic count of the 10<sup>th</sup> of July. This will count the number of people that cross at Greenwood Avenue and midblock. Borough Manager G. Locke did want to state that if the paving of York Road was not completed by the 10<sup>th</sup> that he will ask Pennoni to move the traffic count back 1 week until July 17<sup>th</sup>.

- 3. Fire Commission Meeting Chairperson K. Farrell reported that the two departments along with the Borough Manager and herself met for the Fire Commission Meeting. An increase in the fire tax was requested by both departments. Vice President R. Bunker stated that he wanted to further discuss at the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting that the Annual Audit include more than just the General Fund but also things like the Fire Department and the Library.
- 4. Removal of Parking Meters on Cherry Street Borough Manager G. Locke stated that he and the Chief had been reviewing the use of the meters on Cherry Street. There are three businesses located in the shopping center at 455 York Road, Dunkin Donuts, NOVACARE and a new Dollar Store. The business owners find that the parking meters along Cherry Street do not help their business but hinder them instead. They have requested that Council, the Borough Manager and the Police Department look into the removal of those meters to allow for customers to shop/dine in their stores. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilor J. Mlxon seconded by Vice President R. Bunker to forward Resolution #2015-11, the removal of the parking meters on Cherry Street and installing three hour limit signs to full Council.

Motion passed 6-0

#### **Old Business**

- School Zone Safety Lights Update Borough Manager G. Locke has stated that the lights have passed the environmental study and is currently on the second phase, which is a safety study. There is four phases total but the environmental phase is the longest. Borough Manager G. Locke would still like to leave this item on the agenda as he will be receiving information in the near future.
- 2. Fire Department Training Update Chairperson K. Farrell stated that both Departments have handed in all of their trainings to date. The Borough is currently going through all training
- 3. Walnut Street Parking Issue Borough Manager G. Locke stated that cars park on the sidewalk on Walnut Street. The committee had decided to contact the Borough's Traffic Engineer last month to help with solutions on this issue. Earl Armitage from Pennoni Associates stated that since Walnut Street is a state road, PennDOT would have to change the lines on the road and/or address the issue. The Committee has decided to table this item until further complaints are received regarding the parking on Walnut Street
- 4. Parking Lot/Pioneer Request for Driveway Apron Chairperson K. Farrell stated that the apron was brought up at the Fire Commission Meeting in preliminary discussion. Pioneer is working on getting more information regarding the apron and will be bringing it to the next Fire Commission Meeting. Once Chairperson K. Farrell receives the information, she will forward it along to the Committee and Council.

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