

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE June 10, 2015 7:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

Call to order: Vice President R. Bunker called the meeting to order.

Attendance:

- **Committee members present**: Councilor J. Conners, Councilor C. Soltysiak, Councilor K. McGlonn, Councilor J. Mixon and Councilor C. Durkin
- Committee members absent: Chairperson K.Farrell.
- **Others present**: Vice President R. Bunker, Borough Manager G. Locke, Fire Chief J. Connolly, 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 thank the Fire Chief of Independent Fire Company K. Lynch for their help at the Bike Expo that was held in Town Square as well as thank Dennis Cline for his help with the Corpus Christi walk that took place in town.
- Second Alarmers A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.
- **Pioneer Fire Company –** No Report
- Independent Fire Company- A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Fire Department K. Lynch wanted to utilize the parking lot during the Fourth of July event. Borough Manager G. Locke stated that he would inform the businesses in the area. Fire Chief K. Lynch stated that the grant for the Self Contained Breathing Apparatus is going well. They are continuing to work with the manufacturing companies and believes the Fire Departments should have the equipment within the next few months.

New Business

 Police Recognition to full Council – Police Chief A. DiValentino stated that the Police Department will be holding an award ceremony during the Council meeting for the actions of Jenkintown Police Department, Springfield Police Department, and Cheltenham Police Department for their actions on March 21st during a strong-arm robbery.

Vice President R. Bunker made a motion, seconded by Councilor C. Durkin, to send the Police Recognition to full council.

Motion passed 6-0

- 2. Youth & Law Enforcement Police Chief A. DiValentino informed the committee that he attended a forum at Salem Baptist Church regarding Youth and Law Enforcement. Police Chief A. DiValentino believed that this forum was very informative. This forum discussed the Police stopping youth individuals, checking ids, and other methods of communication with the public.
- 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.
- 4. Controlled Pedestrian Crosswalk Borough Manager G. Locke wanted to inform the Committee that a memorandum was placed in Dropbox from Pennoni discussing the controlled pedestrian crosswalk at Summit Avenue and York Road. This memo is to inform the committee of the findings by Pennoni before the official request is sent to PennDOT. Once the request is sent, Borough Manager G. Locke plans to update the committee once information is received. The belief is that if the surface lot near the area of crosswalk will help with the controlled pedestrian crosswalk. The Committee had asked Earl Armitage to appear before Council on June 22nd.
- Fire Commission Meeting Borough Manager G. Locke stated that he will be speaking with both Fire Chiefs, and Councilor K. Farrell. Borough Manger G. Locke and Fire Chief K. Lynch had decided to hold the Fire Commission Meeting on June 17th at Borough Hall at 7:00pm.
- 6. Walnut Street Parking Issue Borough Manager G. Locke stated that cars park on the sidewalk on Walnut Street. Borough Manager G. Locke had placed this item on the agenda due to Kevin Piroit putting in a written complaint regarding the cars parking on Walnut Street. Mr. Piroit did not attend the meeting. The committee had decided to contact the Borough's Traffic Engineer to help with solutions on this issue.

Old Business

- 1. 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. 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 Vice President R. Bunker stated that there is no new updates regarding Fire Department Training.
- 3. Parking Lot/Pioneer Request for Driveway Apron Borough Manager G. Locke stated that there is no new updates regarding the apron until the floor is completed.

Adjournment: On motion of Vice President R. Bunker, seconded by Councilor J. Conners, the motion to adjourn the meeting passed unanimously.