



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
January 9th, 2019
7:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

Call to order: Chairperson C. Whitney called the meeting to order.

Attendance:

- **Committee members present:** Chairperson J. Conners, Councilor K. McGlonn, Councilor K. Farrell, Councilor C. Whitney, Councilor J. Lugar, Councilor M. Golden, and Councilor C. Soltysiak.
- **Committee members absent:** Councilor M. Ashton Young.
- **Others present:** President D. Pancoe, Vice President R. Bunker, Borough Manager G. Locke, Mayor A. Dobbs, Engineer K. Hassan, Engineer F. Ciufu, Public Works Foreman K. Riggins, Police Chief A. DiValentino, Fire Marshal K. Lynch, and Fire Chief G. Bachman.

Public Comment: None at this time.

Reports

- **Police Department** - 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.
- **Fire Police** - A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.
- **Second Alarmers** - A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.

New Business

1. **Fire Commission Meeting**– Chairperson C. Whitney noted that the January Fire Commission meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, January 10th.
2. **Police Department Speed Trailer** – Chairperson C. Whitney noted that the speed trailer has been delivered and is having the Borough badging before being deployed. Borough Manager G. Locke noted that this should be completed by the end of Friday, January 18th.
3. **Parking Enforcement Ordinance** – Chairperson C. Whitney noted that the Chief has worked with staff to produce an updated proposed ordinance. This Ordinance will include the increased violation fees and meter increase fee.

Vice President R. Bunker made a motion, seconded by Councilor K. Farrell, to move Ordinance #2019-1 pertaining to the Police Department Parking Enforcement / Fees to full Council for advertisement. Motion unanimously.

- 4. Proposed Permit Parking Procedure/Fees** – Chairperson C. Whitney noted that Borough Administration, Police Department and Solicitors Office are working on a resolution to increase the monthly parking permit fees as well as the fees for accident and incident report.

Vice President R. Bunker made a motion, seconded by Councilor C. Soltysiak, to move the Resolution pertaining to the Police Department Parking Enforcement / Fees to full Council for advertisement. Motion unanimously.

- 5. School Safety Signalization: West and Walnut** – Chairperson C. Whitney noted that the permit for the School Safety Signalization Permit for West And Walnut has been reviewed and a revised activation schedule has been implemented to extend to 3:45 (15 minutes) which has approved by Chief, School, Engineer and PennDOT.
- 6. School Safety Vestibule Project** – Borough Manager G. Locke noted that the project has been approved and placed out to bid. The School District has received and accepted the bids back for the work that is to be completed. The School District has not provided new construction plans and cannot begin construction until plans have been received and approved.
- 7. Chelsea Pedestrian Crossing Update** – Chairperson C. Whitney noted that the permit for the Chelsea Pedestrian Crossing is under PennDOT review, additional information provided as requested.

Old Business

- 1. 2019 Purchase of Fire Apparatus Vehicle** – Chairperson C. Whitney noted that Independent Fire Company and the Borough Administration continue to move the purchase forward. Fire Chief K. Lynch noted that the chassis is currently being built.
- 2. Proposed Roadway Safety Improvements** – Chairperson C. Whitney highlighted that the Borough has worked with our Engineer, Public Works Department and the Administration to identify areas of needed safety improvement. This year the Borough has added the placement of a speed hump on Cedar Street and safety striping at Hillside Avenue and Walnut Street that will include; four (4) Colonial Style (piano keys) crosswalks and 24” stop bars at all four approaches. The cost of these safety improvements was included in the 2018 paving project. Borough Manager G. Locke noted that the Borough has completed the study and designed the Leedom Street speed hump, however the Borough is still waiting for the resident petition as required by policy. Once the petition is produced, the Borough will continue with the installation of the speed hump.
- 3. 2018 ARLE Grant application with Cheltenham & Abington Townships regarding signal at Washington Lane & Township Line Road** – Chairperson C. Whitney highlighted that the grant was applied for prior to deadline and will be monitored and reported on at this Committee.

4. **Vista Road: School Safety** – Chairperson C. Whitney noted that the Borough Engineer, JPD and PW worked to install two (2) “Watch Children” safety signs. The Borough Engineer has been asked by Council to observe and recommend additional striping and possibility of a speed hump to increase safety.

5. **Fire Department Training – Update** - Chairperson C. Whitney noted that the training records have been submitted and will be discussed more at the Fire Commission meeting. Fire Chief K. Lynch asked if Pioneer has provided any new updates to their training. Fire Marshal K. Lynch noted that he had a meeting with the Secretary of Pioneer, Ms. Annabelle Moreno, months prior however Ms. Moreno just collected the training binder two days ago and it has not been delivered to Borough Hall for review.

Adjournment: On motion of Chairperson C. Whitney, seconded by Councilor C. Soltysiak, the motion to adjourn the meeting passed unanimously.