

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

August 14, 2018

3:00 PM

Councilman Jim Bair called the Public Safety Meeting to order at 3:11 pm.

Roll call was taken and the following members were present: Councilman James Bair, Councilman Dave Quarry, Councilman Robert Jackson, Councilman Terry Green and Borough Manager Dan Varner.

Kylie Morningstar took minutes of the meeting.

Visitors present: Gary Cramer, Dean Harris, Michael Thompson, Chief Jeff Buckley and Code Enforcement Officer, Jim Morris.

- Code Enforcement Officer Jim Morris gave his report, noting there have been a total of 103 incidents during the month of July 2018. 19 of the incidents are still pending and being monitored.
- Chief Jeff Buckley made suggestion of looking into the possibility of a permanent college intern to work within the borough offices.

Open Issues

- Borough Manager Dan Varner reported that there is \$63,000 from 2014 monies and \$40,000 from 2015 monies available in curb cuts. This money has to be spent on curb cuts.
- Dean Harris left the meeting at 3:25pm.
- Chief Jeff Buckley gave his report. He reported that they collected 123lbs of prescription meds for July. He also reported that the golf tournament was a success and the money raised from it funds scholarships and awards. He also said the fundraising is going well with the K9 project.
- Councilman Jim Bair asked the chief to check on the parking issues from 5-8pm.
- Councilman Terry Green made mention that the Habitat for Humanity is purchasing the property at 1100 Washington St. He said the borough has a lien on the property in the amount of \$1,779.87. He would like to see if \$824.57 of that total balance could be waived (This amount is for the base bill that has accumulated.) The total amount they would need to pay off to satisfy lien would be \$952.30 (This would be for the water usage and legal fees.) Borough Manager Dan Varner recommended that this be brought up in the Administrative meeting for approval.
- Councilman Jim Bair said there was no Mayor's report.
- Mike Thompson reported on the upcoming Half Marathon. He said they moved the start / finish line to Knox Stadium and changed the route of the race.

- Councilman Jim Bair asked how long the event was going to be and Mike reported it is a 2 day event with Saturday being at Rails to Trails and Sunday being here in Huntingdon. Mike also noted that discussions have been made with Juniata College about providing a food tent and possibly a food truck. He said the race is to start at noon.
- Councilman Robert Jackson reported that there are concerns about staffing. Mike Thompson said that signage was a problem last year but they plan on setting up the night before and begin setting up approximately 4 hours before the race starts. He has approximately 80 volunteers to date and anticipates approximately 50 more runners than last year.
- Mike Thompson requested flares be set out 20-30 yards on Cold and Warm Springs Rd.
- Councilman Jim Bair said we need to work on the sidewalk ordinance.
- It was reported that we have not gotten any feedback from Bob Reitman yet on the lighting grant.
- Councilman Jim Bair also asked if we could look into a weight limit in the parking lots for trucks.
- There were no updates on parking meters.
- It was reported that the 4th St. sidewalk is open and the road is scheduled to be open Wednesday, August 15th.
- Borough Manager Dan Varner reported that work is to begin soon on East Penn St. The outbound lane will be closed for approximately 10-12 days then Penn Dot will begin work on the other lane closing it down.
- Councilman Jim Bair reported that the Halloween Parade is scheduled for October 22, 2018 at 7:00pm. Registration and information is available on the HRFR65.com website.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05pm.