

**Minutes  
Public Safety Committee  
November 5, 2018  
6:00 PM  
4th committee meeting**

**Members present were Chairman Scott Crosby, Committee members Taft Matney and Larry Goodson. Police Chief Bryan Turner, Fire Chief Bill Stewart, and Administrative Judge Angela Martin were present.**

1. Call to order.- Chairman Crosby
2. Public comment.- None
3. Reading and approval of minutes.– October 1, 2018  
Councilman Goodson made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Matney seconding. Councilman Matney said there was a long discussion on one issue. This issue continues and is not getting any better. He does not want this to drop through the cracks. He asked that as long as this is an issue we keep it on the agenda. The vote was unanimous (3-0).
4. Reports or communications from city officers.  
Judge Martin reported that her budget was under by 6%.  
Chief Stewart reported his budget was under by 4%.  
Chief Turner said his budget is tracking well. He did hear from the fleet manager that we might be able to get last year's models at a better price. The prices from one vendor were good until October 31<sup>st</sup> so the department moved on the four cars that are budgeted. We are not committed to this purchase, but let the vendor know we may be interested. This will be a savings of \$400-700 per vehicle.
5. Old business
6. New business
  - a. Station 3 fire ventilation system- The fire department was awarded a grant for this system, but the Bethel Road station was not eligible for the upfit because of its newer construction. It would cost \$32,320 to have this system put in station 3. The department is asking for approval so that all four stations can

be done at the same time.

Councilman Goodson asked where this funding would come from. Chief Stewart said Holly mentioned a grant revenue fund. Bryan Turner said there is also a lease purchase option that may be available through BB&T.

\$45,318 would be the total of the project between grant funding approved earlier for the other fire departments and the \$32,320 for station 3. Councilman Matney said he hates not to do all of the departments. The guys don't need to be breathing in these exhaust fumes. He would like this item to be forwarded to council for consideration. Between the two meetings, Holly should have time to come up with some financial options.

Councilman Matney made a motion to send this item to council with the notation that funding sources be explored. Councilman Goodson seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (3-0).

7. Public comment.

Mayor Raines asked about the hospital money award that the City will be receiving and that we need to look at other uses for it.

8. Committee concerns.- Councilman Matney reminded everyone to vote tomorrow.

9. Adjournment.- Chairman Crosby adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Miller

Municipal Clerk