

MINUTES
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MAY 6, 2024
CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS 5 E. BUTLER ROAD
4th committee meeting

Committee Members: Carol King (Chair), and Jason Kraeling. Councilman Frank Allgood joined via Zoom.

Others present: Fire Chief Brian McHone, Police Chief George Miller, and City Administrator Seth Duncan. Clerk of Court/Administrative Judge Donna DeRado was not present.

1. Call to Order- Chairwoman King

2. Public Comment- None

3. Reading and Approval of Minutes

a. Public Safety Committee Meeting: March 4, 2024

Motion: Councilman Kraeling made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Allgood seconding.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

4. Reports or Communications from City Officers

a. Fire Chief Brian McHone

Chief McHone thanked everyone for the support and help for the open house.

The cascade system was put in last Thursday.

b. Administrative Judge/ Clerk of Court Donna DeRado

City Administrator Duncan mentioned the work being done on the Judicial window. The front window is now ADA compliant. Everything should be done in about 8 weeks.

A summer intern will start next week and will help with filing and shredding documents.

c. Police Chief George Miller

Chief Miller mentioned that Flock, the license plate reading program the City has been using, will be ending its free trial. Council will be asked next month to approve an expenditure to continue its use. The cost would be \$18,000 annually which would give access to the program, installation and use of 6 cameras. This expenditure can be included in the budget.

The Youth Academy will not be held this year. The schools are all holding summer school and will conflict with the youth schedule. The SROs will also have to go to training in July. The Citizens Police Academy will be held.

National Night Out will be held on August 6th instead of in October.

Chairwoman King thanked Chief Miller for having the patrol vehicles run a solid blue light for more visibility in the community. She has heard nothing but positive comments.

5. Unfinished Business- There is no unfinished business.

6. New Business

a. Boiling Springs FD Automatic Aid Agreement- Staff recommends adopting a Memorandum of Understanding memorializing terms of an automatic aid agreement between the Boiling Springs Fire District and the City of Mauldin for and on behalf of the Mauldin Fire Department for certain emergency incidents within the designated areas of the city and the district.

Motion: Councilman Kraeling made a motion to send this item to Council with Councilman Allgood seconding.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

b. Fire Service Area Millage Increase Resolution

The City will ask the County for 3 additional mills for our fire service area to pay for three new firefighters. This will allow us to deploy quick response vehicles.

Motion: Councilman Kraeling made a motion to send this item to Council with Councilman Allgood seconding.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

c. Use of Forfeiture Funds

The police department currently has three patrol K-9s in service, and with one to soon medically retire. To maintain our current service level, Council is being asked to consider the acquisition of a new K-9. An untrained K-9 would be significantly cheaper and can be trained locally. The new K-9 and handler will go through a training course with Greenville County.

Additionally, the Drug Terminator has reached end of life. The current one has rust in several areas and is making it unsafe for our P&E Clerk to operate during the destruction of drugs.

The K-9 and the Drug Terminator are authorized purchases from the Drug Forfeiture Fund.

The cost of a K-9 will be approximately \$11,000 and the total cost of the Drug Terminator is approximately \$7,000.

There is approximately \$78,000.00 currently in the Drug Forfeiture Fund.

Motion: Councilman Kraeling made a motion to send this item to Council with Councilman Allgood seconding.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

7. Public Comment- None

8. Committee Concerns- None

9. Adjournment- Chairwoman King adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Miller
Municipal Clerk