## **MINUTES**

# PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING AUGUST 5, 2024, 6PM

## CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS 5 E. BUTLER ROAD 3<sup>rd</sup> committee meeting

Committee Members present: Carol King (Chair), Members Jason Kraeling and Frank Allgood Others present: Police Chief George Miller, Fire Chief Brian McHone, and Clerk of Court/Administrative Judge Donna DeRado

- 1. Call to Order- Chairwoman King
- 2. Public Comment- None

## 3. Reading and Approval of Minutes

a. Public Safety Committee Minutes-June 3, 2024

**Motion:** Councilman Kraeling made a motion to accept 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 reported the department has run 3100 calls so far this year. If these numbers keep trending, the fire department will run over 6,000 calls. This number is about 1,000 more than last year.

A survey has been sent out to fire department employees regarding their opinions on the new 48/96-hour shifts. The responses will be tallied, and a decision will be made on whether or not to keep the new schedule.

The two new quick response vehicles are ready to be picked up.

b. Administrative Judge/ Clerk of Court Donna DeRado

Ms. DeRado reported the annual judicial survey has been sent to Court Administration and all the judges are current in their training compliance.

The department is now able to see inside the courtroom with security cameras.

## c. Police Chief George Miller

Chief Miller reported the Department of Public Safety has sent a recognition for DUI enforcement to the police department.

The Traffic Safety Team is working to conduct vehicle stops to help prevent accidents.

National Night Out will be held tomorrow evening.

The pinning ceremony for promoted officers will be held Wednesday.

Investigator Jenna Willson was able to solve a 4-year-old cold case last week.

### **5. Unfinished Business-** There is no unfinished business.

#### 6. New Business

a. Trailer Purchase from Drug and Alcohol Abuse Fund [Pages

The police department currently has two trailers in inventory, one being a K-9/Traffic trailer and the other, a small trailer that was donated from Bi-Lo over twenty years ago that is being used for the Community team. The Bi-Lo trailer is too small to accommodate all of the team's needs. When necessary, the K-9/Traffic trailer is used by the Community team, but the equipment must be unloaded and secured so that the Community team can use it.

Due to the Community Division team expanding in personnel and more commitments/demands, it has been determined that the Community Division needs two (2) trailers to keep up with their events: a 5x8 enclosed trailer and a 7x14 enclosed trailer. These trailers will carry the DUI cart with cones, promotional items for community and recruitment events, etc. The old Bi-Lo donated trailer will be sold.

The fiscal impact would be \$15,500. These funds would come from the alcohol and drug abuse fund. These funds are given to the department each year by the Phoenix Center and put into this account to spend on drug and alcohol awareness related expenses. There is \$24,800.00 in the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Fund currently, and if approved, a balance of approximately of \$9,300 will remain.

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

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

## b. Discussion: Flock locations

The City will have six locations where Flock cameras will be installed. Sgt. McLean has reached out to property owners to obtain permission for the locations. We have permission from five property owners and are waiting to meet the last owner this week.

- 7. Public Comment- None
- 8. Committee Concerns- None
- **9. Adjournment-** Chairwoman King adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Cindy Miller Municipal Clerk