

MINUTES
Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Approved by PSC 05-04-16

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Troy Nyman at 4:32 p.m.

2. Roll Call to determine if a quorum is present.

- Committee Members: Troy Nyman, Ann Anderson, Mary Mason
- Absent: Jason Coplien, Rich Bennett.
- Also Present: Police Chief Chris Hughes, Deputy Chief Brian Raupp (left at 5:45 p.m.), Dusty Kubly, Jerry Elmer, Bob Voegeli (all left after ATV presentation).

- ❖ Motion by Anderson, 2nd by Mason to move agenda item 7.a. prior to agenda item 3. due to the Emergency Management table top exercise tonight. Motion carried.

7.a. New Business. Discuss and Possible Action: Request to create a City ATV/UTV Route by and amending Ordinance Chapter 432. Article VI. All-Terrain Vehicles; Off-Road Operation of Vehicles.

Dusty Kubly presented a request and maps designating an ATV route in the City. The City route would connect to routes the ATV club is attempting to establish in the surrounding townships. Kubly presented the Cheese County Trail Study Results as well as the possible economic stimulus to the City.

Route would come in on 17th Street/Ten Eyck Road. Main connector road is W. 3rd Ave. Off shoots therefrom would capture the businesses in the area of the Square, Northside and Southside, as well as, a possible future trail head off of 19th Street near E. 4th Ave. Deputy Chief requested to limit STH 11 trail crossings to 2 or 3. Specifically to avoid crossing at STH 11 near the Square and 12th Street due to downtown traffic volume. Chief expressed concern on a crossing at STH 11 and 3rd due to curve in the road. Chief requested to strike ATV route on 10th Street between E. 2nd Ave. and E 9th Ave.

Anderson questioned costs associated with a City ATV route, maintenance and enforcement thereof. ATV club would seek donation in order to provide the City the necessary signage. Maintenance of roads is no different to that of vehicle traffic. Chief pointed out ATVs are not as hard on City roads as snowmobiles. Chief stated the City has low speed vehicle and snowmobile ordinances which have not adversely affected department operations or community safety. The City has the framework for an ATV ordinance already in Chapter 432, and the Council passed a resolution allowing ATV traffic during 2015 Covered Bridge Days. Chief requested the snowmobile and ATV ordinances mirror each other, as much as possible, to lessen confusion for the officers.

Motion by Anderson, 2nd by Mason to direct the Chief to create a draft City ATV route ordinance for further consideration in May. Motion carried.

3. Discuss / Possible Action approval of previous meeting minutes.

Motion by Nyman, 2nd by Mason to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

4. Public Appearances: This is the public's opportunity to speak about anything that is not a specific agenda item. **Each citizen is allowed 5 minutes to address the Committee.**

No public present.

5. Committee Comments or Questions: This is the Committee's opportunity to speak about anything that is not a specific agenda item.
 - Mason complaint of speeding on E 5th Ave near 17th Street
 - Nyman complaint of home being egged on in the 1200 block of 14th Street.

Chief reminded the Committee of the department's receipt of a traffic safety grant which runs from May through September. It is the goal of the department to have traffic enforcement details 2 to 3 times a week and at times which would assist in addressing the traffic complaints received.

6. Unfinished Business: business remaining from preceding meetings.
 - a. Discuss and Possible Action: Northside Civil Defense Siren malfunction.

Chief reported the siren has been fixed, it was a blown fuse, and system is otherwise in good working order. Therefore, no quotes were secured for the replacement thereof.

7. New Business
 - b. Discuss and Possible Action: Chief's Report of departmental activities since last meeting.

No Chief's report due to time constraints.

7. New Business
 - c. Discuss and Possible Action: City Operator's License Applications.
 - Anthony Sarow: Motion by Nyman, 2nd by Anderson to approve. Motion Carried.
 - Geri Garland: Motion by Anderson, 2nd by Nyman to deny based on OWI convictions. Motion carried.
 - Emma Steinhauser: Motion by Mason, 2nd by Anderson to have Chief determine what "Zero Tolerance" means in Illinois. If not alcohol related driving offense approved, if driving related deny. Motion carried.

7. New Business
 - d. Discuss and Possible Action: Closure of Downtown Square for Covered Bridge Days

Motion by Nyman, 2nd by Anderson to approve. Motion Carried.

8. Discuss / Possible Action future agenda items and next meeting date and time.
 - The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at 16:30 hours.
 - Items: ATV Ordinance Draft, and Winter Parking Ordinance

9. Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Anderson, 2nd by Nyman to adjourn. Motion carried at 6:35 p.m.