



Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes
March 1, 2016
6:30 p.m.
Rosemary Heflin Council Chambers

I. Roll Call

A meeting of the Bellevue Borough Public Safety Committee was called to order at 6:45 P.M. by Councilperson Sevinsky.

In attendance were Councilperson Sevinsky (Chair), Mayor Cusick, Coder (arrival at 6:47 P.M.), Saylor, Code Enforcement Officer Delcroix, Police Chief Sentner, Fire Marshall Wissner, DAS Borczyk, Fire Chief Pritchard was absent.

II. Public Contribution (5 minutes per person) – None.

III. Reports

Mayor Cusick notified the Committee that Fire Marshall Wissner was appointed Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator. While it is not part of his designated duties as Fire Marshall, he is charged with the creation of a structured plan of Emergency Management.

IV. Old Business:

- i** **MOTION: I move to approve Saturday Parking Enforcement on Lincoln Avenue/No Stopping, Standing, or Parking on South Howard Avenue. (For action on March 22, 2016.)**

The necessary adjustments to the existing Ordinance are in the hands of Solicitor Racunas.

- ii.** **NIMS testing for Council Members to be completed by April 30, 2016.**

It was noted that this is a six (6) hour process. The Committee wishes to know which Council members (not including the new members) are still in need of certification. DAS Borczyk was asked to review DPW files as to NIMS Certification.

- iii.** **New Police Vehicle Purchase.**

Mayor Cusick informed the Committee that a 3 year rotation should be kept so as to maximize our useful fleet and minimize vehicle repairs. Cost data will be prepared for

inclusion on the agenda of the April, 2016 Public Safety Committee.

IV. New Business

- i. **MOTION: I move to approve Fire Marshall Jeff Wissner's attendance at a fire investigation class titled "Expert Witness Courtroom Testimony" at a cost not to exceed \$1750.00 (Budget Account No. 01.411.461.) (For approval on March 22, 2016.)**

Fire Marshall Wissner reviewed the content of the class with the Committee. Councilperson Coder made a Motion to include the approval on the agenda of the Pre-Council Meeting of March 8, 2016. The Motion was seconded by Councilperson Saylor.

Fire Marshall Wissner submitted a copy of Resolution 38-11 to the Committee. As part of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, a Fire Safety Committee must be established. DAS Borczyk was to submit a copy to Councilperson Heffley for her appointment.

Chief Sentner asked the Committee to consider the replacement of the remaining floor in the Police Department at a material cost of \$ 3,000.00 with DPW doing the installation. Councilperson Saylor made a Motion to include the item on the agenda of the Pre-Council Meeting of March 8, 2016.

Councilperson Coder inquired about an update for Child Clearances. There was discussion about the need for DPW workers at the swimming pool receive clearances. DAS Borczyk was asked to email Fire Chief Pritchard as to clearances for the volunteer firefighters.

Councilperson Coder discussed the need for zoning to set standards for our business district. She has sent a copy of suggested zoning by Allegheny Together to Solicitor Racunas. Councilperson Coder asked DAS Borczyk to arrange for Jack Manning, Allegheny Together, to attend the Pre-Council Meeting to discuss the subject. Mayor Cusick suggested that you may not always get retail business for the district and asked that the suggested zoning be sent to the Chamber of Commerce.

Chief Sentner informed the Committee that the softening of criminalization for possession of small amounts of marijuana, as passed by the City of Pittsburgh, had run into some legal challenges.

VI. Public Comment – None.

VII. Adjournment

Councilperson Saylor made a Motion to Adjourn the meeting at 7:29 P.M. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Senvisky. The meeting was Adjourned.

Minutes approved by Bellevue Borough Council on March 22, 2016.