

Public Safety Committee

Meeting Minutes

January 31, 2023

Members Present: Alderwoman Janet Stack
Alderman Chris Farrar
Alderwoman Jennifer Warren

Other Present: James Whiteford, Fire Chief
Mike Fillback, Director of Police
Cathy Hensley, Communication Coordinator
Anna Roseman, Fire Department
Charles Bolinger, Intelligencer
Clemmescia Jackson, Resident
Jason Telzlaff, Resident

The Edwardsville Public Safety Committee meeting was called to order by Alderwoman Janet Stack at 5:30 p.m. in the Governor Edwards Conference Room, 118 Hillsboro Avenue with a quorum present: Alderwoman Janet Stack, Alderman Chris Farrar and Alderwoman Jennifer Warren.

Public Comment:

- Complaint about a homeless person staying under the band stand at Edwardsville City Park. Police Chief Fillback said he would look into the matter.

Approval of Minutes:

- Motion by Alderman Farrar, second by Alderwoman Warren to approve minutes from the Public Safety Committee meeting held Tuesday, November 29, 2022. Motion carried, Stack, Farrar and Warren voted aye.

Police Department:

Action Item(s):

- *Approval of a Resolution authorizing the Police Department to apply for the Illinois Department of Transportation Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program Grant FFY-2024 Grant and approving the Mayor to enter into the Award Agreement.*

This grant program allows police departments to hire back police officers for additional enforcement of impaired driving, distracted driving and occupant protection laws at a cost not to exceed \$30,720.00. There is no cost share for this grant. This resolution will also approve the Mayor to enter into the Award Agreement.

Motion by Alderwoman Stack, second by Alderman Farrar for an approval of a Resolution authorizing the Police Department to apply for the Illinois Department of Transportation Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program Grant FFY-2024 Grant and approving the Mayor to enter into the Award Agreement. Motion carried, Stack, Farrar and Warren voted aye.

Fire Department:

Action Item(s):

- *Approval of a Resolution authorizing the Fire Department to apply for the 2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the purchase of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus and approving the Mayor to enter into the Award Agreement.*

This Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) will authorize the Edwardsville Fire Department (EFD) to purchase Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) at a cost not to exceed \$303,000.00. The grant will provide ninety (90) percent of the cost and the City will budget the remaining ten (10) percent. This resolution will also approve the Mayor to enter into the Award Agreement.

Motion by Alderwoman Stack, second by Alderwoman Warren for an approval of a Resolution authorizing the Fire Department to apply for the 2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the purchase of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus and approving the Mayor to enter into the Award Agreement. Motion carried Stack, Farrar and Warren voted aye.

Informational Item(s):

- **New Hire**
Mark Vann started with the EFD on Thursday, January 26, 2023 as a Probationary Firefighter/Paramedic. He will be going to the Fire Academy in Champaign, Illinois on February 27, 2023. There is a second candidate that is going through the background process. He will also attend the Fire Academy with FF Vann if he is hired on time.
- **New Ambulance**
The new ambulance, Unit 1342, has arrived. It is out getting the lettering and striping done now and then it will need the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) inspection. It should be in service by this weekend or beginning of next week.

Old Business:

New Business:

Discussion Item(s):

- *Discussion on a 4-way stop sign at North 2nd Street and Lincoln Street*
Police Chief Fillback provide Public Works with the number of accidents at the corner of North 2nd Street and Lincoln Street. Public Works acknowledges that it warrants for a 4-way stop based on the number of accidents in three (3) years, per the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

The next regular scheduled meeting of the Public Safety Committee is Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Motion to adjourn by Alderwoman Stack, second by Alderwoman Warren. With no further business at hand the meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m. Motion carried Stack, Farrar and Warren voted aye.

Janet Stack, Chair

Minutes prepared by: Anna Roseman, Fire Department

Approved Signature: /s/ Janet Stack, by staff liaison

Anna L Roseman

Approved Date: 2-28-2023