

**Public Safety Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
July 30, 2020**

Members Present: Alderman Will Krause  
Alderwoman Janet Stack  
Alderman Chris Farrar

Other Present: James Whiteford, Fire Chief  
Jay Keeven, Director of Police  
Kevin Head, City Administrator  
Devin Gray, Director of ITC  
Jeff Berkbigler, City Attorney  
Jeanne Wojcieszak, Director of Finance  
Walter Williams, Economic / Community Development Director  
Anna Roseman, Fire Department

The Edwardsville Public Safety Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Will Krause at 4:03 p.m. in the Governor Edwards Conference Room, 118 Hillsboro Avenue, with a quorum present: Chairman Will Krause, Alderwoman Janet Stack and Alderman Chris Farrar. The meeting was held in person and via ZOOM.

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Minutes:**

- Motion by Alderwoman Stack, second by Alderman Farrar to approve minutes from the Public Safety Committee meeting held June 11, 2020. Motion carried with Krause, Stack and Farrar voting aye.

**Police Department:** None

**Fire Department:**

Informational Items:

- *City of Edwardsville Emergency Plan*  
City of Edwardsville Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) has been a work in progress for some time. Highlights of the plan were reviewed to show the structure, what it involves and to give a better understanding of some of the contents. The EOP is not a complete document but it will be used as a “living” document moving forward. Information will change over time and will need to be updated. The EOP will not be a public document. Training will be conducted at least annually. A resolution will be presented at the next Public Safety Committee meeting to adopt the EOP as a living document.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business: None**

Discussion Items:

- Two no parking zone issues were brought to the attention of Alderman Krause. Public Works Department will gather information for the next meeting.
- Residents have requested a posting of the City of Edwardsville general crime statistics. These statistics are available on City of Edwardsville website under the Crime Statistics page.
- The committee discussed the Governor's mask mandate; who enforces it and can the City create an ordinance to enforce it. From the EPD perspective it is not enforceable since law enforcement has nothing to charge a person with. An ordinance could be created as a cite and fine but would not allow for anyone to be arrested. More research will be done for the next meeting to see if neighboring communities have passed any ordinances regarding mask mandates.

The next regular scheduled meeting of the Public Safety Committee will be Thursday, August 13, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Governor Edwards Conference Room in person and via Zoom.

Motion to adjourn by Alderwoman Stack, seconded by Alderman Farrar. With no further business at hand the meeting was adjourned at 4:54p.m. Motion carried with Krause, Stack and Farrar voting aye.

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Will Krause, Chair

Minutes prepared by: Anna Roseman, Fire Department

Approved Signature: /s/ Will Krause, by staff liaison

*Anna L Roseman*

Approved Date: 08/13/2020