

**Public Safety Committee
Meeting Minutes
November 28, 2023**

Members Present: Alderman Chris Farrar
Alderwoman Andrea Miracle

Member Excused: Alderman SJ Morrison

Other Present: James Whiteford, Fire Chief
Mike Fillback, Director of Police
Cathy Hensley, Communication Coordinator
Anna Roseman, Fire Department

The Edwardsville Public Safety Committee meeting was called to order by Alderman Chris Farrar at 5:50 p.m. in the Governor Edwards Conference Room, 118 Hillsboro Avenue with a quorum present.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes:

- Motion by Alderman Farrar, second by Alderwoman Miracle to approve minutes from the Public Safety Committee meeting held Tuesday, October 10, 2023.

Discussion: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Police Department: None

Action Item(s):

- Motion by Alderman Farrar, second by Alderwoman Miracle for “An approval of a Sole Source Resolution Authorizing the Purchase and Installation of two (2) AutoVu SharpV Camera Kit in a total amount not to exceed \$16,000.00”.

Discussion:

- This camera would work as a License Plate Reader (LPR) and is connect to a network supported by the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA).
- Installation of these cameras will be along an entry route into the city.
- The purchase and installation of the equipment will be provided through the Public Safety Capital Equipment Fund.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Fire Department:

Action Item(s):

- Motion by Alderman Farrar, second by Alderwoman Miracle for “An approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Fire Department to apply for the 2023 Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal Small Equipment Grant”.

Discussion:

- The grant will cover 100% of the cost of EMS equipment up to \$25,000.00.

- If awarded this grant will be used to purchase seven (7) oral suction devices with mounting brackets; one for each of the four front line ambulances and one for each of the three Advanced Life Support fire engines, for a total expected not to exceed \$10,000.00.
- Discussion on the importance of oral suction devices.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Informational Item(s):

- Staffing Update
 - There is one (1) firefighter/paramedic position open but the hiring list has been exhausted.
 - The Board of Fire and Police is working to renew the hiring list; applications are being accepted until February 2, 2024 and the written test date is set for February 17, 2024.
- East Station Grand Opening, Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 10 A.M. (NOTE: The Grand Opening has been cancelled and will be rescheduled.)

Old Business: None

New Business: None

The next regular scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Motion to adjourn by Alderman Farrar, second by Alderwoman Miracle. With no further business at hand the meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Approved Date: 1/9/24

Minutes prepared by: Anna Roseman, Fire Department

Approved Signature: 