## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**NOVEMBER 28, 2016** 

The meeting was called to Order by Ald. Schmidt at 6:000 p.m. with the following Roll Call:

Members Present: Ald. Olson, Ald. Schmidt, Ald. Toellner, Ald. Smith, Ald. Bartelt, Ald. Frings

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Trina Justman-Reichert, Julie Staffin, Christine Churchill, Jon Borst, Mike

Thoreson, Dave Pieper, Lisa Schmitt, Chief MacNeill, Ryan Vossekuil, Mike Kurutz, Attorney Jon Anderson, Cheryl Dietrich, Derek Hug, Karen Moyle, Mayor

Boelk, Lois Krueger, Sara Decker

## Item #2 Approve the minutes of the October 24, 2016 meeting.

Motion by Ald. Toellner, second by Ald. Olson to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2016 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

## Item #3 Citizens Comments.

None.

# <u>Item #4 Discuss/Approve Main Street Mayville "It's a Wonderful Life on Main" fireworks and sidewalk fire activities.</u>

Trina Justman Reichert from Main Street Mayville was present and explained the event. The sidewalk fires are in aluminum cans and completely enclosed and fueled by wood. This has been done in the past between 2 buildings to prevent winds. During Audubon days it was done in front of Open Door Coffee. Trina noted that it is a fundraiser for the High School Be the Change program. Trina suggested using the open lot on Main St as a second option. Chief Borst said the fire department is ok with it if it is away from flammable materials and suggested having fire extinguishers next to it. Trina noted adults will be supervising. Also discussed concerns with safety of the fireworks in the park. Main Street has done this for the last 5 years. Same company that does the 4<sup>th</sup> of July do these and they are insured. It was canceled once before because of the wind.

Motion by Ald. Schmidt, second by Ald. Toellner to approve the sidewalk fire with the prerequisite that a fire extinguisher is present and that other arrangements will be made if it's windy. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ald. Frings, second by Ald. Bartelt to approve the fireworks in Foster Park. Motion carried 6-0.

#### Item #5 Discuss with Possible Action Use of Sky Lanterns in the City.

Discussion on the safety concerns of sky lanterns. Note that the City of Beaver Dam recently addressed the same issue and amended their ordinances to ban the use of sky lanterns. Discussion of ordinance it would affect, possible fire ordinances or fireworks ordinance. Chief Borst noted he supports the ban. Motion by Ald. Schmidt, second by Ald. Smith to table the issue until January. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Item #6 Monthly EMS Report.

A. <u>Monthly Report.</u> Julie Staffin and Christine Churchill reported. They hired 2 new EMTs that are both already licensed. The numbers of calls for service are ahead from last year therefore expenses and revenues are both an increase. Christine noted that it was a good decision to switch billing companies. They are training with new cardiac devices. Lopez Roofing (same as TAG) is going to do the roof repairs. They will work with them on billing/budget.

### **Item #7 Monthly Fire Department Report.**

A. Monthly Report. Jon Borst & Mike Thoreson reported that they have had 8 calls in November; 2 EMS lift assists, 2 fuel spills, 1 carbon monoxide, 2 false alarms and 1 smell of gas. They have had 66 year to date. Staffing is currently at 26 people with 2 going through interview and 1 retiring the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year. Repairs complete are almost complete on the equipment. Pumpers now passed testing and all trucks certified. May be a few items that need repair next year. Looking into repairs needed on the Ladder truck. It was noted that a fire truck and firemen will be on hand for the fireworks in Foster Park.

### **Item #8 Monthly Police Department Report.**

- A. Monthly Report. Chief MacNeill & Captain Vossekuil reported. Captain Vossekuil was selected as a Leader of Tomorrow and will be presented with an award in February. They hosted a hunter sight in clinic for two hours on two days. They had 24 hunters use range to site in riffles. Winter parking begins December 1<sup>st</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup>. PFC met last week and interviewed for part-time officers. They made conditional offers to 4 candidates who are all FT officers elsewhere.
- B. 2015 Annual Report. Chief MacNeill prepared 2015 annual report. Noted there were lifesaving awards given to 3 officers and Officer Toellner was awarded officer of the year award. It was noted that the drug drop use increased. There were 241 records requests last year which have been time consuming along with 157 background checks. Chief MacNeill noted that there were 1148 criminal arrests; 9% were juvenile. Accidents are down. Personal injuries remained the same. There were less hit and runs and less property damage. There was a 21% increase in theft and 12% in domestic violence, but an 11% decrease in burglary and 4% in disorderly conduct.

## Item #9 Adjournment.

Motion by Ald. Smith, second by Ald. Frings to adjourn at 6:28 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Sara Decker, City Clerk