

CHESHIRE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2017 AT 7:20 P.M.
CHESHIRE TOWN HALL – 84 SOUTH MAIN ST – ROOM 210

Commissioner Present: Steve Larson, Nancy Blomstrom, Nick Cifarelli, Joe Cassella.

Commissioner Absent: Jim McDonald

Staff Present: Lieutenant Michael Strollo

Others Present: None

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Larson called the meeting to order at 7:23 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll was called and a quorum determined.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 11, 2017

MOTION by Joe Cassella to approve the minutes as submitted.

SECONDED by Nick Cifarelli. Unanimously approved.

V. CORRESPONDENCE AND PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Chairman Larson spoke to Michael Milone concerning the property across from the dog park and the refuse that is dumped there. Would like to consider establishing a protocol with Public Works to remove the debris in a timely manner.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Site Line Survey Update

All site lines are currently clear and public works is doing a fine job keeping them clear of leaves and the current snowfall.

B. Safety Sign Update

It was noted that Jerry Sitko should be notified about clearing the foliage from the signs. Public works is not responsible. Chairman Larson spoke with Officer Matt Wium about replacing the current signs and suggested using messages concerning being sure that house numbers are visible, wearing reflective clothing, and clearing sidewalks of snow. Officer Wium mentioned that the frames are in need of repair. Public works will be notified.

C. Sidewalk Survey Update

It was noted that all sidewalks must be cleared of snow within 24 hours. Lt. Strollo will have officers monitor closely.

D. Radar Speed Monitoring Unit Update

All units have been placed in storage for the winter unless a specific complaint is brought to the attention of the police department.

E. Open Business

Discussion of the "Block Watch" window stickers will be continued at the next meeting. Lt. Strollo will also look for block watch yard signs.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Treasurer's Report

The current operating budget is \$500 with a remaining budget of \$500.

B. Review of Police and Fire Departments' Monthly Reports

There was a large structure fire on Cheshire St. It was not suspicious in nature. There was a bomb threat at Macy's. It was unfounded. Dalton Manufacturing reported the release of chemicals the form of a "cloud" that was not toxic. No injuries were reported. Cheshire High School students were dismissed due to the heavy odor. DEEP and Waterbury Hazmat crews responded.

C. Miscellaneous New Business

The dates for the Cheshire Public Safety Committee meetings were discussed and agreed upon by the committee.

D. Projects for the Future

There was discussion concerning ideas for items to be distributed to the public at the Fall Festival.

E. General Discussion

Chairman Larson stressed the importance of consistent attendance by all members of the commission.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Nick Cifarelli to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

SECONDED by Joe Cassella. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey Benson