

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

February 29, 2016

A. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Chairperson Beer called the meeting to order. Members present at roll call were Alderpersons Beer and Bauman. Alderperson Miller arrived later. Youth in Government members present were Isabel Bazley and Brooke Rowe. Others present were Engineering Supervisor Gerber, Mayor Ross, Police Chief Kelley, Administrator Rath, IT Director Jacobson, and Bridget Cooke from the Monroe Times. Alt. Boyce was absent.

B. CORRECTION OF MINUTES

None

C. ANY APPEARANCES FROM THE PUBLIC

To be done under agenda item D. 1.

D. BUSINESS PRESENTED BY POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY APPROVE INSTALLING HANDICAPPED PARKING STALL

Police Chief Kelley said a complaint was received that a handicapped permitted vehicle parks all day in a handicapped stall in front of another business in the 1100 block of 17th Avenue, preventing anyone else from using this stall. (Engineering Supervisor Gerber distributed an aerial photo of the area.) This has prompted the complainant to request an additional handicapped stall in that same block. Chief Kelley introduced the complainant, who gave further information and offered suggestions for placement of another stall.

Questions and discussion ensued. Alderperson Bauman moved to approve the installation of a handicapped parking stall in the first stall north of the crosswalk at the intersection of 17th Avenue and 12th Street on the west side of the block and to have Chief Kelley draft the resolution to take directly to Council for approval on March 15th. Alderperson Miller seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion carried by Youth in Government members and then by the Public Safety Committee official members.

2. DISCUSS AND APPROVE SELLING OF POLICE DEPARTMENT LIGHT BARS

Police Chief Kelley explained that the Police Department is seeking authorization to sell two used light bars, one to the Stephenson County Fire Chief's Association, the other to the Freeport Fire Department. Each will be sold for \$200, and he is asking to put the funds into the Police Department operating equipment budget (general fund). Brief discussion took place. Alderperson Miller moved to approve the sale of the light bars to the Stephenson County Fire Chief's Association and the Freeport Fire Department. Alderperson Bauman seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion carried by Youth in Government members and then by the Public Safety Committee official members.

E. BUSINESS BY MEMBERS

None

F. ADJOURNMENT

Alderperson Miller moved to adjourn. Alderperson Bauman seconded the motion. On voice vote, motion carried by Youth in Government members and then by the Public Safety Committee official members.

Ellen K. Miller, Deputy Clerk