

Public Safety Committee
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 6, 2022 6:00 p.m.

Present: Committee Chair Joe Frederick, Larry Browne, and Tim Brennan. Also in attendance were CBRPD Police Chief Karl Knott, Borough Fire Marshal Scott Fleischer, Borough Manager John Davis, Mayor Noni West, and Borough Council Vice President Wendy Margolis.

The **Minutes** of the June meeting were approved. (Brennan/Browne)

CERT Team Update. The development of the program is moving forward. Larry has received interest in participating from members of the community and is hoping for several more.

North Chubb Drive and Swamp Road Traffic. John reviewed complaints of excessive speeds from a resident several months ago. Results from a traffic study show the 85 percentile speed of traffic between Taifer Avenue and McConnell Street at 26.9 mph (southbound) and 27.9 mph (northbound). A second study at 649 N Chubb Drive showed lower speeds as that area is closer to the existing speed table. John provided the information to the resident who voiced his concerns. Speeds on Swamp Road were also discussed and while the speed limit is 45 mph, requests for a traffic study would need to be presented to PennDot, which controls the Swamp Road corridor. Based on the existing 85th percentile speed, PennDot could increase or decrease the speed limit if they decided it was warranted. The Committee agreed that they would prefer to hear from the concerned residents before making any further decisions. John was under the impression those residents would attend the meeting, but did not. John will reach out to those who brought him the concern and the Committee will move forward when and if the discussion with residents continues.

CBRPC Report: Mayor West noted a school resource officer is being deployed again at Central Bucks South, after the Superintendent came to the Commission for direction on how best to work through the decision at other schools. All in attendance agreed the decision should include input from representatives from all included municipalities as well as their Borough/Township Managers on the best ways to implement this. Chief Knott explained there is more discussion to be had. No further meetings have been scheduled.

Old/New Business. Several residents of Wesley Enhanced Living spoke on the safety of their location after one resident was hit by a car in the crosswalk into the shopping center across Veterans Lane. The crosswalk has recently been painted and trees have been trimmed, although they would like more action to protect the residents. Speeds along that area seem too fast, with a 25 mph speed limit.

A resident, who was walking with a shopping cart, was recently hit by a car and broke her ankle. She would like to see additional signage to alert drivers of the possibility of pedestrians. There was a sign there, although it is no longer present. John will have that sign replaced. Pedestrian crossing signals would not be permitted by PennDot, as there needs to be significantly more pedestrian traffic, such as at the Justice Center. John explained several possible types of signs and lighting to consider, and the residents in attendance would like to see those implemented.

Adjourned: 7:00 PM