

**Public Safety Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, July 14, 2021 7:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Committee Members Joe Frederick, Wendy Margolis, Joe Flood, and Larry Browne, as well as Borough Manager John Davis, Mayor Ron Strouse, Council Member Noni West, Fire Marshal Scott Fleischer, and CBRPD Chief Karl Knott.

The **Minutes** of the June 2021 meetings were approved as submitted.

**Lacey Avenue Permit Parking Request**

The Committee discussed options regarding this ongoing parking issue for the residents. The affected parties were not able to attend but their observations were submitted. John has kept an eye on the parking at various times of the day and evening. Chief Knott advised one car has been tagged as abandoned but they have located the owner and made him aware. The next step would be an official vehicle count, to include night hours, to determine if the cars parked in the area belong to residents.

On a motion from Larry, seconded by Joe Flood, the Committee agreed to enlist CBRPD officers to do vehicle counts between the hours of 5:00 – 9:00PM. This data will be collected and discussed at the next meeting.

**Community Support Team**

Larry and Scott have done more research on Community Support Teams in other areas of the country to determine how this could work best here. This involves residents who want to help people affected by any sort of emergency rather than be on the front line where the professional emergency personnel would be providing emergency services. There is extensive training available online through FEMA. There are not similar groups such as this in the area, so this would be a unique plan with neighbors helping neighbors in an immediate way. Mayor Strouse asked Larry to try to reach out with other groups who already have this in place to Zoom with the Committee for input. Larry provided the group with an outline of steps needed to grow this plan, which will become a part of the Borough's Emergency Response Plan. Larry and Scott will reach out to the stakeholders identified to verify their participation. Discussion will continue at the next meeting.

**Public Events**

Chief Knott reviewed the approved events including the upcoming car show, the Red Ball Gala, the Distance Picnics on Pine, and Santa's upcoming arrival, among others.

**Central Bucks Regional Police Commission Update**

Mayor Strouse reviewed the most recent meeting about the new CBRPD/Borough headquarters, with the project hopefully nearing completion in mid-September. The Police Commission finance meeting is tomorrow, with the mid-year budget on the agenda.

**New/Old Business**

John recently received two separate proposals regarding Narcan distribution to discuss. One would include Narcan distribution to local businesses, and another proposal would provide Narcan to Borough Parking Enforcement officers to carry. Chief Knott explained the extensive training needed. There are resources close within the Borough for medical assistance when needed. All in attendance agreed it may not be appropriate to expect parking officers to carry Narcan. The group will discuss this further.

Wendy will provide John with information on keeping pets safe in the summer heat; John will distribute the information via social media.

**Adjourned: 7:45PM**