

Public Safety Committee
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 6, 2023 6:00 p.m.

Present: Larry Browne and Joe Frederick. Also in attendance were CBRPD Police Chief Karl Knott, Borough Finance Director Caroline Brinker, Mayor Noni West, and Borough Fire Marshal Scott Fleischer.

The **Minutes** of the April, May and July meetings could not be approved without a quorum.

Handicap Parking Request: West Oakland and South Franklin. John reviewed the request for one handicapped parking space on each of the two frontages at the corner property of 147 West Oakland Avenue. The property owners, Mr. and Mrs. Arrowood, attended the meeting to discuss their request. Without a quorum, the members in attendance will refer the issue to Borough Council to advertise the ordinance.

2024 CBRPD Preliminary Budget. Caroline Brinker shared the reviewed and approved budget, which includes two additional full time officers. It was suggested each of the Boroughs reject the initial budget, due to the as-yet undetermined insurance rates at this point. On that recommendation, the committee members in attendance agreed to suggest the rejection of the budget at this time. Chief Knott expects to have more details at next month's meeting.

CERT Team. Larry provided plans to work with Caitlin Hernandez to generate public interest as well as hold public seminars on furthering the CERT team. More details will be prepared for next month.

Public Events. Chief Knott shared information on the upcoming Arts Fest and Bike Race, as well as several other events, which will keep the officers busy.

CBRPC Report (Mayor). Mayor West shared details on the recent Police Commission meeting, including discussion on the two year SRO contract.

Old/New Business. Larry researched an EPA air quality sensor loan program, which Scott will look into further.

Adjourned: 6:35 PM