THE CITY OF STREETSBORO, OHIO

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Monday, January 10, 2022

[Prior to the meeting, Mayor Broska swore in Daniel Shetler and Joseph Takash as new full-time police officers.]

This Safety Committee Meeting was called to order on Monday, January 10, 2022 at 7:06 p.m. by Tony Lombardo, Chairman. Mrs. Field gave an invocation and Mr. Lampa led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- PRESENT: Mike Lampa, Justin Ring, Jon Hannan, Anthony Lombardo, Jennifer Wagner, Julie Field, Steve Michniak
- ABSENT: None.
- ALSO PRESENT: Glenn Broska, Mayor Frank Beni, Law Director Tricia Wain, Police Chief Robert Reinholz, Fire Chief Matt Miller, Finance Director Bill Miller, Service Director Justin Czekaj, City Engineer Patrick O'Malia, Economic Development Director Greg Mytinger, Parks and Recreation Director Shawna Lockhart-Reese, HR Manager Caroline Kremer, Clerk of Council [by Zoom video conferencing:] John Cieszkowski, Planning Director

Disposition of Minutes

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE REGULAR SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 2021 AS WRITTEN.

Moved by Mr. Lampa, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon voice vote, motion carried.

Old Business

None.

New Business

T-7166 Dispose of Damaged Speed Trailer

Chief Wain said the old 2011 speed trailer was hit by a car and the electronic components and solar panels were damaged and useless. The insurance company had paid the \$7,839 claim for this unit and the department was working on getting a new, upgraded speed trailer with an additional small

message board display. The old trailer would be turned over to the Service Department to see if they could use the trailer without the electronic components or solar panels for anything, or just scrap it.

MOTION: TO MOVE THIS TO TONIGHT'S REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

Moved by Mr. Lampa, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon voice vote, motion carried.

MOTION: TO ADD T-7175 NEW POLICE DISPATCH CONSOLES TO TONIGHT'S AGENDA.

Moved by Mr. Hannan, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon voice vote, motion carried.

T-7175 Purchase Dispatch Consoles

Chief Wain said last year she met with two vendors regarding the dispatch radio center and learned the main dispatch console was nearing its end of life and was out of repair possibility. The Motorola parts for the most recent repairs had been scavenged from other agencies that had upgraded their consoles because Motorola was not make the parts any more. There was a concern that if something drastic went wrong with the consoles, Streetsboro would not be able to get the necessary parts, and these consoles were the control center for talking to patrol officers and to dispatch alerts and communicate with the Fire Department.

Chief Wain explained that Motorola was the sole vendor and had the State bid for the replacement consoles that would work with the department's other existing radio equipment. The Police Department had originally decided to go with the three station dispatch center, but then decided to just update the two main dispatch centers that were used just about every day, in order to save some money.

It would cost \$84,229 to replace the main console. The setup, programming, installation, and training through B&C Communications, which was paid through Motorola, was \$38,500. The tech support including software and hardware through Motorola was \$29,220. The warranty through years 1-5 was from B&C Communications at \$17,571.30, for a grand total of \$169,520.30. The warranty was good for the first five years and there would be a maintenance agreement after that. The Police Department had originally budgeted \$192,000 for the job, but eliminating some of the parts that weren't needed, and not getting a third station saved some money.

A few years ago the Police Department had replaced dispatch consolettes, which were a secondary part to what they were replacing now. This dispatch radio console was the backbone of the department and the other pieces ran off of this dispatch radio console. The consolettes would stay because they were compatible with the new equipment.

Mr. Ring wondered if a third console station would benefit the department greatly. Chief Wain said maybe in the future they would get a third one; if Streetsboro took over dispatching for any other agencies. B&C Communications had said there was no drastic price difference if Streetsboro chose to install it at a future date; no great savings to do it all at once.

Mrs. Field also asked if the department would work better with three dispatch consoles. Chief Wain answered that, at this point, given the expense, it was not something that was needed right now. It might benefit the department in the future. The dispatch world was shrinking; agencies were joining centralized dispatch centers; and Streetsboro might possibly take on other agencies in the future (not in the next year or so). Right now Streetsboro has, at most, two dispatchers working at one time. If Streetsboro took on other agencies in the future, Streetsboro may need to increase its staffing to accommodate that.

Mr. Lampa asked what would happen with the old console system. Chief Wain said some parts would be kept because they were compatible, but the main backbone of the system would have no value to Streetsboro. It may become available to scavenge for other agencies that had not upgraded yet, but there were not many of those.

Mayor Broska agreed there was no immediate need for a third console. He preferred not to invest the money in something that would most likely sit and not be used for a while. The proposed purchase was for the newest equipment Motorola had, so it would be available for quite some time. If/when a third station was needed the City would be able to get the same type of equipment and he supported not getting a third station at this time.

Chief Wain said the reason this topic was added late to tonight's agenda was because she had just found out last Thursday that Motorola was doing a 7% increase soon, so she wanted to get this purchase authorized before that price increase took effect.

MOTION: TO MOVE T-7175 TO TONIGHT'S REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AS EMERGENCY LEGISLATION.

Moved by Mr. Michniak, seconded by Mr. Lampa. Upon voice vote, motion carried.

<u>Citizens' Comments</u>

None.

Announcements

A Service Committee Meeting will immediately follow this meeting.

There being no further business to be addressed by this committee, and upon motion by Mr. Lampa, seconded by Mr. Ring, this meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

ATTEST:

Caroline L. Kremer, Clerk of Council

Anthony Lombardo, Chairman

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