

MINUTES PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

JUNE 26, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Paul Wegner at 5:30 p.m. Members present were Renee Eckerly, City Administrator; Andy Soine, Fire Chief; Tom Fread, Emergency Management Director; and Jeffrey Booth, CentraCare Health Paynesville. Absent were Doris Wendlandt, Jeff Thompson, Harry Thielen, and Donnie Mayer.

Motion was made by Booth to approve the minutes from the December 19, 2017 Public Safety Committee meeting. Seconded by Fread and unanimously carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion was made by Fread to appoint Wenger as Chair, Soine as Vice Chair, and Eckerly as Secretary. Seconded by Booth and unanimously carried.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Motion was made by Wegner to set the Public Safety Committee meetings on a quarterly basis (January, April, July, and October) on the 4th Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. Seconded by Soine and unanimously carried.

REVIEW HAZARDOUS MITIGATION GOALS

Booth reported that the hospital has completed many of their decontaminations projects. Paynesville goals were reviewed:

- Fire department only has 9 hand-held radios and one in each truck
- Get a siren on 2nd island
- CodeRED no message went out unless there is a warning in our specific area
- Outdoor warning sirens – all have been replaced
- 800 MHz radios – none at the hospital and at each clinic; Eckerly reported there used to be a radio at the nurses desk
- Booth will be purchasing 4 radios per quarter; high frequency weather radio, backup generator, and hazmat exercises
- Booth could do at Safety Training Day at mask fit testing
- Sky warn Training – did in 2018 – ongoing
- Hazardous materials exercises – talked about including police and fire in the exercises the hospital is already doing one
- Police Department would control the scene – police is our blue canary
- CodeRED notifications – done project
- Discussed arriving on the scene and assessing what is happening and needs to be dealt with before approaching - keep hazmat team going in first
- Train derailment was discussed
- The school is establishing a committee to address active shooters

NIGHT TO UNITE COMMUNITY PICNIC

The event will be held on August 7, 2018 (the first Tuesday in August) with 4 – 7 p.m. activities and 5 – 7 p.m. food. Wegner reported that the police department has incorporated fire and ambulance. The police department fundraises for the event and would like to rotate the organization of the event between the three entities. The police will create documentation on how to prepare for it. The budget is \$1,000.00 per year and the police department has the money for the event.

The Committee discussed having a committee (one from fire, one from police, and one from ambulance) for 2019 and 2020. The police department would put new members on for 2021, ambulance for 2022; then more people know how to and can use the manual.

This will be put on the January agenda to assign a volunteer to the Committee.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

The Committee discussed only working on one copy and to make sure the contacts are updated before that plan is distributed.

VEHICLE RESCUE CHARGE

These fees are billable. The fire department is taking a photo of the driver's license and sending it directly to Belinda Ludwig for billing. The Committee discussed whether taking a photo of the driver's license is making the license public information. Eckerly will contact the League of Minnesota Cities for their opinion.

HANDICAPPED PARKING AREA - THIELEN

It was reported that Don Pietsch said that Harry Thielen won't be attending the meeting so to table the issue for now.

INFORMATIONAL

The Committee noted the article "MN Sex Offenders Challenge A City's Ban".

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.