



PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday September 1, 2021 0900

FIRE Station

Tour Fire Hall

Meeting called to order by Chair Bob Heales: 0900

Attendees: Mayor David Nevin
Council member Aaron Herzog
Fire Chief Chip Lohmiller
Curt Mowers
Rob Kniefel
Bob Heales - Chair
Kevin Lee
Ted Strand Public Works Director – Guest
Cindy Myogeto Chamber - Guest

Chair Heales – Would like to start the meeting with agenda item number 6 since we have guests for that discussion.

6) Crosswalks / Signage

- a. Ted Strand – Received 5 bids for Concrete
 - i. Only one came back
 - ii. Will bring to Council on Friday - \$21,700
 - iii. Total Project cost around \$50,000
 - iv. Has called all contractors to be ready and on standby
- b. Bob Heales concerns on painting crosswalk – when will it be done
 - i. Ted Strand stated they are waiting for other roadway improvements – County.
- c. Dave Nevin / Bob Heales – County Commissioners Meeting Last Week.
 - i. Good presentation
 - ii. Tim Bray – Should not proceed with project – against state and federal Law.
 - iii. Should follow County Plans
 - iv. Dave Nevin – Concerned county can do anything in the ROW but City is Limited.
 - v. Bob Heales – Referenced the Code Book
 - 1. ADA – If constructed and can't meet ADA Specs must be noted.
 - 2. If future improvements are planned they must include Federal/State/County Law/Specs
 - 3. Invite Tim Bray to meeting on Friday
 - vi. Cindy Myogeto
 - 1. Concerns – many years watching intersections – Dangerous
 - 2. Spoke with Tim Bray and asked what the holdup was.
 - a. Referred to Grant Application

- i. Applied Last year. – Didn't get it. Cities that have never applied received Grant
 - ii. Applying again this year.
 - iii. Grant is for years 2024 – 2026
 - iv. Can use grant to get loan.
 - v. If we approve project now, may affect outcome of future Grants
 - vi. Commission has done a great job with project and cost savings.
 - vii. Tim Bray not aware of \$10,000 engineering cost.
 - viii. City sent Tim Bray project costs
 - b. Questions:
 - i. Whys does City need to be ADA Compliant and County Doesn't?
 - ii. Per Phil Martin – Engineer – County May contribute %50 of costs – in their policies.
 - iii. Sign Contractor never heard of this issue.
 - iv. Dave Nevin – Where do we go from here without stepping on County.
 - c. Cindy Myogeto will call Tim Bray – County
 - i. See where he stands with County policy on cost sharing
 - d. Bring to council with Motion approve with County Cost Sharing.
- 2) Crosslake Training Tower Agreement
 - a. Chief Lohmiller reviewed the Draft of the Use Agreement, Operations Manual, and fee Schedule
 - b. Discussion – Positive
 - c. **Motion by Dave Nevin** to bring to Council for approval – **Second Curt Mowers**
- 3) Fire Department Pay Increase – Already approved by Council
- 4) Golf Cart Usage – Tabled
- 5) Committee / Commission Functions
 - a. Bob Heales – Commission is what we should be following other City Groups
 - b. Meeting must be advertised
 - c. Open Meeting unless personnel and other private matters discussed.
- 7) Public Safety Commission Function / Guidelines
 - a. Review Function and Guidelines as presented
 - b. Keep 8 board members
 - c. Eliminate # 6
 - d. Add Emergency Management
 - e. Post Meetings
- 8) Old Business
 - a. Police Hiring Policies
 - i. David Nevin – Should we look at interviewing Leadership Positions
 - ii. Bob Heales / Curt Mowers – Chief position agree – Other Leadership positions should be chosen by Chief of department.

iii. Department head should interview and also consider from within if they meet the Job Description

9) New Business

- a. Chief Lohmiller discussed Fire Department Hiring process
- b. Informed Commission of Radio issues in the Fire Hall. Getting quote.
- c. Discussed EMAC Deployments
 - i. Commission supports going to council for approval
 - ii. Have either Mayor or City Administrator sign IGA for future

Next Meeting – Wednesday October 6, 2021 City Hall 0900

Motion to adjourn: Mowers

Second: Nevin

Motion carried 1020