



PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday March 10, 2021 0900

Meeting called to order by Mayor Nevin: 0903

Attendees: Mayor David Nevin
Council member Aaron Herzog
Police Chief Erik Lee
Fire Chief Chip Lohmiller
Kevin Lee – North Memorial
Kevin Sedivy
Bob Heales

Committee Structure:

Discussion was held to organize the committee. Erik Lee nominated Kevin Sedivy as Chair of the Committee. Bob Heales was nominated as Co-Chair, and Chip Lohmiller as Secretary.

Meeting Schedule: Established second Wednesday of the Month at 0900.

Goals & Objectives – Critical issues

Community Outreach:

- Fire Dept. working with Doreen Gallaway to help with Community Outreach.
- Utilize the Fire Hall for the Community – CPR Training/Fire Prevention Etc.

Emergency Management: Work with John Bowen CWC EM / Funding to complete EOC / Grants

Everbridge: Help get the Everbridge Tool used by the CWCSO out to the Public.

- Severe Weather
- City Messages

Pulse Point: Kevin Lee brought up Pulse Point which is used to notify certified CPR individuals if there is a heart issue in the area so they can respond. Chip will talk with Tim Holmes from Brainerd Fire to see how we can get this out to the community.

Roads/Streets/Walking Paths: Erik Lee and Chip Lohmiller discussed warning Crosswalk Lights that are available and should be installed at the intersections of: CR 66 / CR3, CR 66 / Swann Drive, and CR 66 / Bald Eagle. Erik Lee/Lohmiller will talk to CWC Hwy Department and start working on costs and if there are any grants available. Once we have enough information they will bring to committee and then to council.

VRBO: Lohmiller concerned with County rental statutes that were put in place last year. Fire Departments had no opportunity to express concerns and input for the statute. Look into this with more discussion.

Fire Department:

- Mayor Nevin would like all future large purchases (Equipment/Apparatus) brought to the committee for discussion before brought to the council.
- Lohmiller talked about recruitment and retention for the future.
- Mayor Nevin would like to discuss Fire Fighter pay and retirement prior to the City Budget Meetings.
- Lohmiller talked about Officer Appointments and would like the committee to review prior to going to the personnel committee.
- Community Outreach Programs: CPR, Fire Alarms/CO Alarms, Fire Prevention classes.

Police Department:

- Mayor Nevin would like all future large purchases brought to the committee for discussion before brought to the council.
- Discussion brought up regarding George Floyd Bill and officer Liability insurance.
- Line 3 Deployment
 - Jake Meyer part of Extraction Team
 - Some members participating in Field Force Training
 - Have been deployed to Aitkin County recently to assist with Line 3
 - May be purchasing equipment for the group - Lions
- Planning for Future
 - Few Staff members may be leaving in the next 3 – 5 years
 - Officer Development.

North Memorial:

- Good assistance from Fire and PD for medicals.
- Can also assist Fire with Community Outreach.
- Is looking to assist PD with search for AED.
- Feels it is important to have first responders EMSRB certified.

Other Business:

- Public perception of FIRE Inc. and the New Hose Tower.
- Do we offer the Hose/Training Tower to Cuyuna Range Fire Departments?
 - Do we charge these Departments
 - Fee Schedule
- Discuss further at next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: 1038 – Nevin/Sedivy