

Fire, Police, Service, Engineering,  
and Code Enforcement Council Committee

January 5, 2016

Attendees: Councilmembers McDaniel, Smiley-Robertson, and Ranz. Fire Chief Hauck, Police Chief Korte, Service Director Bothe, Village Engineer Jeffers and Village Building Commissioner Mercer. Also attending Mayor Finan, Mayor's Assistant Elmer, Recreation Director Nichols, Village Fiscal Officer Caracci, and residents Michelle Gottschlich, Carolyn Duffy, and Stiney Vonderhaar.

Meeting called top order at 4:00 p.m.

**FIRE:** Working on the final specs for the new fire truck. Ordinance on January council agenda to contract with Pierce Mfg. in Appleton, Wisc. First fire truck not ordered from Sutphen. Delivery expected in November – in service by end of 2016. State Bid Price = \$620K + additional \$60K-\$70K for options and upgrades. Options are being explored to sell / trade the old fire truck. Craig Wiederhold awarded Firefighter / Medic of the year at St. Rita's Christmas dinner.

**POLICE:** Body Cam update – so far have tested 9 different cameras. Currently, the V-View Level 4 is the preferred one since it does not require third party software. Chief expects a decision before end of the year. Sgt. Bill Lantry will retire on January 9, 2016. Detective Sean McKinney was awarded Police Officer of the Year at St. Rita's Christmas dinner. In addition, Detective McKinney will receive the Investigators Award at the HCPA banquet later this month.

**SERVICE:** Due to the lack of snow, we have plenty of salt on hand. We still need to purchase 300 tons additional due to our purchase contract. We are purchasing a new, small dump truck to complete our snow removal fleet. State bid price = \$78K

**ENGINEERING:** Check to Duke Energy for the overhead street lights has finally cleared. Installation work expected to begin in late February. After installation we expect to begin a complete evaluation of our street light system. Still working with Stone Mor attorneys regarding right hand turn lane at Glendale-Milford and Plainfield Rd.

Researching design options for an electronic digital sign (Watchfire.com) at entrance on Glendale-Milford and Kingsport.

Also researching design options to replace campus signs and industrial entrance signs.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:** Don Mercer may need the assistance of an arborist to help with the enforcement of our tree ordinance. Jim Bothe has a couple of names he will forward to Don. Also, at the recommendation of Carolyn Duffy, Dave Elmer will research Tree City U.S.A. which may have some support in that area.

The proposed Property Maintenance Code and Residential Rental Permit Program will be presented to the Planning Commission at their January meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Internal Communication – brief discussion regarding communication flow from chiefs and department heads to mayor & council. Either a call multiplier and / or a text message to cell phones is being suggested. Implementation will begin once new contact list is completed.

Safe Routes to School Committee – Michelle Gottschlich and Carolyn Duffy presented an overview of this program(attached). Funding is available from state (ODOT) for up to \$400K for infrastructure or up to \$15K for educational purposes. A broad overview was presented. It was suggested the Safe Routes Committee discuss this further in depth with potential stakeholders. Part of the process requires a public hearing, and the suggestion was made to schedule this public hearing for the January planning commission meeting.

At 6:10 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Smiley-Robertson and seconded by Mrs. McDaniel.