

Public Safety Meeting Minutes  
November 13, 2012

Meeting called to order at 10:02 A.M by Chairwoman Szukala  
Member in attendance Bill rivera, and Andy Gonzalez  
Also in attendance Chief Ortolano, Chief Ahlstrom, Stephanie Kiyak, Gib Snyder

Approval of prior meeting minutes motion made by Rivera, second by Gonzalez.

Chief Ahlstrom gave an update on revenue from Rescue calls to date is \$135, 032. New truck should be in service for January 1, 2013. Estimate for roof repairs for HQ is \$114,000 . Still looking for pricing on Tower repairs at HQ.

Procedures for hydrant clearing in winter months was discussed. Chief replied that a daily routine is done to clear all covered hydrants, however the aftermath of snowplows is the biggest problem. They work with DPW as much as possible. The number of hydrants in city is around 400. Kiyak questioned flushing of hydrants being done. Chief replied not every one needs to be done yearly, just the main hydrants that feed all others.

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Chief Ortolano gave brief update on officer involved in accident with new patrol unit. Car is at Delacy Ford and should be back in service soon. Officer is alright and returned to work. Back up for car out of service is the Explorer.

Chief gave an update on the required radio upgrades to the DPD and DPW departments. Purchase will be done on a State contract bid. Financing is being looked at through local banks. The cost will be approx. \$100,000 for basic needs. This is a FCC mandate. The statewide wireless network post 911 was abandoned because it did not work well.

A concerned citizen asked Chairwoman Szukala to look into a blinking safety light at intersection of Franklin and Wright Street. Trucks often ignore the stop sign. Chief explained the cost would be extremely pricey but would contact Cott and ask that trucks be reminded of the sign. He would also work with DPW to install more signs.

The visibility on Eagle street and 7<sup>th</sup> street was briefly discussed. On alternate parking days visibility is poor on corners. The suggestion was made to move the "no parking here to corner" signs further down the street.

Kiyak thanked everyone for their help getting the signs put up for buses in front of P+G Foods.

Rivera asked for an update on lights to be installed near school #4 and High School. Chief replied that spring would be the timeframe for completion.

Meeting adjourned 10:35 A.M. by Chairwoman.