

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, November 15, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

Town Hall or via Zoom

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Committee Responsibilities – Traffic, Parking Ordinances, Law Enforcement Grants, Assemblages/Parades, Diversity, Emergency Management and Fire Department.

Committee Members: Justin Hummel (Chair), Bonnie Crawford, James Garman and Vince DeMelfi.

Citizens to be heard.

- **Theresa Huff**- 315 West 3rd Street, vehicles blocking driveway access.

New Business.

1. Approval of the Public Safety Committee minutes from the 10/18/2022 meeting.
2. Speed issues on 5th Street.
3. Discussion of Vehicle immobilization ordinance.
4. Fire inspection reporting system.

Old Business.

5. Chapter 15-608, one-hour parking- legal (sent 6/14/2021).
6. Chapter 3 ordinance- met with legal (9/9/2022).

Next meeting date: December 20, 2022.

Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 18, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

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Chairperson Justin Hummel called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., present were Council members Bonnie Crawford, James Garman, Tell Bell, and Vince DeMelfi, Town Manager/Secretary/Treasurer Lisa Dooley, Chief of Police Scott Price, Code Enforcement Director Mike Reffeor, and Law Enforcement Administrative Assistant Randi Fetterman. Also present were MJ Mahon, George Mantas, Anne Barton, Mike Williams, Jim Dutt, and Dawn Moore.

Citizens to be heard.

Anne Barton was present to inquire about the police department enforcing speed on 5th Street.

S. Price advised that we are looking at several options for speed enforcement and traffic calming devices.

Discussion took place regarding the fire inspection reporting system The Compliance Engine. George Mantas from The Compliance Engine was present to discuss the benefits of a fire inspection reporting system. This database would track compliance on all fire safety systems. This would greatly reduce administrative tasks for the Code Enforcement office. Lack of alarm testing and maintenance is the cause of most false/nuisance alarms. The key to this process and achieving compliance is the ability to easily follow up on any non-compliance. This service is completely free to the department and the contractor would be charged a \$17 upload fee per system. M. Reffeor spoke to other departments that use The Compliance Engine. They advised while it was extra work to set up, customer service was easy to work with and compliance increased drastically. Customer service can assist in drafting ordinances. Fire Inspection companies and Code Enforcement would work together to create the Town's database. There is currently no system in place to keep track of inspections of this sort. The only way Code Enforcement knows if inspections are complete is if they go to the business and ask. This database would notify Code Enforcement of non-compliance and red tag notices.

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by J. Garman, with V. DeMelfi opposed, the Committee recommended to send the ordinance to legal and review the contract to explore options with The Compliance Engine.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, the Committee approved the minutes from the 09/20/2022 meeting with no changes or corrections.

Discussion took place regarding parking at 315 West 3rd Street. A resident had contacted the Police Department to discuss potential options for vehicles having difficulty pulling in and out of the driveway at that address. It is a narrow street and there is a vehicle that parks legally on the other side of the street, making it difficult for vehicles to back out of the driveway. The Committee agreed that they do not want to restrict parking and suggested that the resident contact the neighbor to potentially address the problem, or back into the driveway to make exiting easier.

Discussion took place regarding speed enforcement on 5th Street. S. Price advised the Police Department is looking at ways to conduct speed enforcement, including using the ENRADD device. He also shared concerns from officers regarding the ability to turn if the intersection at East 5th Street and Iron Street were to become a 4 way stop. J. Hummel agreed with J. Dutt in regards to placing a permanent speed limit sign. S. Price advised that more data will be provided at the next meeting.

On a motion by B. Crawford, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, the Committee recommends to Council listing 17 OC holders on Municibid.

All the old Items listed are still at legal.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by B. Crawford, and voted on unanimously, the Committee voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

Notes taken by R. Fetterman and reviewed by L. Dooley.