

EMERGENCY SERVICES

June 2, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Alderman Burtle
Alderman Jones
Alderman Heberling

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Brotherton
Police Chief Herpstreith
Fire Chief Crews
Alderman Budd
Alderman Walters

Owen Lasswell
Shirley Sams

Chairman Burtle called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M.

CIEG INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT

Police Chief Herpstreith has been working with City Attorney Romano and Gary McNeely in reviewing the CIEG Interagency Agreement. He stated that grants and forfeited funds are contingent upon participating agencies signing an updated CIEG Interagency Agreement. He has since located a signed Interagency Agreement dated January 1, 2002.

Attorney Romano suggested two options for the Committee to consider:

Option 1

Direct the preparation of a Resolution approving the CIEG Interagency Agreement for consideration at the June 20, 2016 City Council Meeting and possibly have a response from Traveler's Insurance Company by that time.

Option 2

Approve a Resolution approving the CIEG Interagency Agreement.

Chief Herpstreith advised he received a response at 4:45 P.M this evening from City Attorney Rocci Romano informing that Mr. Gary McNeely assured him that all of the City's concerns that were discussed with the City's Insurance Carrier, Travelers, have been rectified.

Motion by Alderman Jones and seconded by Alderman Heberling to direct City Attorney Romano to prepare a Resolution approving the CIEG Interagency Agreement and to add this Resolution to the June 6, 2016 City Council Agenda. Motion carried 3-0.

LEXIPOL MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

The Police Department uses Lexipol for ongoing updates to Department Policies. During past Committee discussions approval was given to implement Lexipol with the first year subscription fee which included access and setup of the system and evaluate the system and decide on the yearly subscription later. Police Chief Herpstreith feels updating Department Policy is time consuming and Lexipol has made the project easier, accurate and up to date as legislative changes occur. He is requesting permission to obtain a yearly subscription at a cost of \$5,450.00.

Motion by Alderman Heberling and seconded by Alderman Jones to recommend to the City Council to allow Police Chief Herpstreith to enter into a yearly subscription agreement with Lexipol at a cost of \$5,450.00. Motion carried 3-0.

FIREARMS TRAINING PROPOSAL

Police Chief Herpstreith is requesting permission to send Detective Bryan and Officer Jones to Active Shooter Response Training in Tremont, Illinois on October 3rd and 4th. The cost of training is \$595.00 per student and to save travel expenses and overtime, they will stay for two nights at Super 8 at a cost of \$151.68, for a total of \$1,341.68.

Motion by Alderman Heberling and seconded by Alderman Jones to recommend to the City Council to approve the request for Detective Bryan and Officer Jones to attend Active Shooter Response Training Instructor Course in Tremont, Illinois on October 3rd and 4th for a cost not to exceed \$1,400.00 for training and lodging. Motion carried 3-0.

MACON COUNTY REGIONAL DISPATCH CENTER UPDATE

Police Chief Herpstreith will be attending his first meetings next week regarding the Regional Communications Center to be built in Macon County by the Howard G. Buffett Foundation. He will write a synopsis of how this dispatch center will operate to present at next month's Emergency Services Committee Meeting.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service-1642
- Total Cases-120
- Total Arrests-85
- Traffic Citations- Traffic Stops, 171 with 91 traffic citations issued
- Two Burglaries-To the Moon Tattoo and Subway Restaurant
- Patrolled Prom and Graduation Ceremonies
- Conducted Rifle Long Gun Qualifications
- Several Custody Exchanges

Police Memorial Week is Sunday, May 15th through Saturday, May 16th. Chief Herpstreith advised nationwide there have been twenty Officers killed by gunfire, according to the Officer Down Memorial Page; this is a 36% increase over the same time period last year.

Chief Herpstreith commended the Taylorville High School Staff and Administration on how well the Prom and Graduation Ceremonies were conducted; there were no problems.

There was discussion regarding CrimeStoppers, asking if the Chief receives a lot of tips on activities going on in town. He advised this is a good organization which Sergeant Mills is in charge of and the Department receives a lot of helpful information through this program. The Committee would like Sergeant Mills to prepare some information regarding how the program is working.

SPRINKLER SYSTEM REPAIR

Fire Chief Crews advised there are two indoor sprinkler heads that need to be turned down at a cost of approximately \$800.00, but there will be other costs associated such as draining the pipes and tests. The Committee asked that this come back to next month's Emergency Services Committee Meeting after he has researched what the cost will be for the whole project.

MUNICIPAL LEASE TO OWN PROGRAM APPROVAL

Chief Crews asked for clarification regarding the Municipal Lease to Own Program, stating originally the program was for both Police and Fire. He asked that since Police Chief Herpstreith is waiting on the possible creation of the Macon County Regional Dispatch Center, would he be able to utilize the program for purchases for his Department. Alderman Budd advised the purchases have already been included in this year's budget; after discussion the Committee asked that this be brought back to next month's Emergency Services Committee Meeting.

AMBULANCE PURCHASE

Fire Chief Crews advised the cost of the new ambulance is \$107,000.00; he will be meeting with the Fire Protection District soon and asked if the City had decided on how they will move forward with the City's portion towards the purchase. Alderman Budd was in attendance and advised the City's portion has already been included in this year's budget; therefore, Chief Crews can complete a claim form for this purchase.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Total Calls-151
- Training Hours-112
- Weather Event Updates – The National Weather Service will do weather projections for activities for the community if requested; Patty Hornbuckle will be requesting a projection for the Chilifest.
- The Department is in the process of scheduling annual SCBA inspections to check for compliance.
- Will have a Sonar Training Class at Lake Taylorville on June 10th. The Department has two new side scanned sonars attached to the boat that can look through the water 150' each way; they can now cover large areas, in the past they had to dive to look, the sonar narrows down the search.
- There are still problems with other entities not having the manpower to assist in fire calls

The Christian County Health Department will be conducting a SNS Dispensing Drill on June 14-16 at the Fire Station. This drill will include County personnel as well as the Fire and Police Departments. This is a State wide drill; the exercise will be on the release of Anthrax. There will be two lanes set up in the parking lot of the Fire Station; one lane for medical personnel and the second lane will be set up for the dispersing of medications. He advised if there was a disaster, the first to receive medications would be the Elected Officials as they make decisions on how to handle the crisis, Emergency Responders, and then residents.

Chief Crews advised he reduced his budget by \$15,000.00 as the AVG Grant available for this year wasn't going to work.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Fire Chief Crews announced he received a letter from Attorneys Beavers, Graham & Calvert stating a family which wants to remain anonymous made an \$8,500.00 donation to the Fire Department. He advised this was a great gift which will be used to purchase hoses and equipment.

Firefighter Jon Wamsley is recommending that the Preventative Maintenance Inspection on the Ladder Truck be scheduled as soon as possible and tested before the bumper to bumper warranty expires August 1st. As this was not an agenda item, the Committee requested that this be forwarded to the June 6, 2016 City Council Agenda.

Motion by Alderman Heberling and seconded by Alderman Jones to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Shawn Burtle, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee