

EMERGENCY SERVICES

August 2, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Dorchinecz
Alderman Olive
Alderman Vota
Alderman Burtle

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Police Chief Hile
Fire Chief Crews
Assistant Fire Chief Goodall
Alderman Budd
Alderman Walters

Owen Lasswell
Shirley Sams

Chairman Dorchinecz called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

PURCHASE OF POLICE AMMUNITION

Chief Hile presented the annual ammunition order.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to approve the purchase of range rounds from Howell Munitions & Technology at a cost of \$9,666.25. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to approve the purchase of duty rounds from Kiesler's Police Supply at a cost of \$7628.21. Motion carried 4-0.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- There have been several drug arrests and an increase in calls.
- The Department has been working with the Illinois State Police with the investigation of the nearly 4-month-old child that sustained a skull fracture, bruising and bleeding on the brain. The ISP Investigator reported there has been a slight improvement in the infant.
- The new K-9 project with the K-9 Academy is set to begin mid-September. Officer Alwerdt is hoping to pick up the new K-9 dog the 6th or 7th of this month.
- The Department hosted ADAMAX Tactical for a three-day active shooter training on July 24, 25, and 26. The training was held at the Taylorville High School. Five of our Officers attended the training as well as people from Rochester, Mt. Zion, and Coffeen.
- The Department also hosted an ADAMAX Tactical for a three-day active shooter instructor course on August 1, 2, and 3. Our Department has three Officers going through the course. Upon completion of the course they will conduct annual training for our agency not only using the different schools as training locations but also businesses.
- Officer Nelson began his first phase of training for the ICAC Task Force which will help with his investigative skills and be able to better identify needed evidence of internet and social media crimes against children.

Alderman Budd asked with school starting to have the school area patrolled, Chief Hile advised they will and he has already been in contact with the schools. He advised the staff and officials are very pleased to have Officer Thomas in the schools for safety. Alderman Walters recommended a zero tolerance for cell phone use and is requesting that no warnings be given.

PURCHASE OF FIRE HOSE

Fire Chief Crews advised he is asking to replace several feet of old worn hoses to bring all the engines up to code, which will cost \$5,000.00.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to allow Fire Chief Crews to order 2.5" hose at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00. Motion carried 4-0.

NUISANCE CALLS ORDINANCE

The Department reviewed a Draft Ordinance amending the Standard Operation Guideline: 211 Concerning the Taylorville Fire Department Ambulance Deployment and Amending the Taylorville City Code. Fire Chief Crews explained the Department is still responding to 9-1-1 calls that involve transferring an individual from taxi to house, locating their remote control and cell phone when dropped. He explained when the calls go through 9-1-1 the Department is dispatched, they don't want this person to get hurt getting from place to place but it takes a lot of time and they could be responding to those calls when an emergency occurs.

After discussion it was agreed to start assessing a \$200.00 fee for non-emergency calls and direct City Attorney Romano to make the changes as discussed by the Committee with omitting and adding language to the Draft Ordinance. The Committee asked that the individual and family members and anyone aiding in the care or transporting the individual be given information informing them this is going to take place.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to direct City Attorney Romano to make the changes as discussed by the Committee to the Draft Ordinance amending the Standard Operation Guideline: 211 Concerning the Taylorville Fire Department, Ambulance Deployment and Amending the Taylorville City Code. Motion carried 4-0.

ACCEPT ASSISTANCE TO FIRE FIGHTERS GRANT

Fire Chief Crews advised the Department was awarded the FEMA Assistance to Firefighter Grant Program for \$27,000.00 for the purchase of a new cardiac monitor. As a 95/5 match share the City's portion will be \$1350.00.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to approve the City pay the five percent share in the amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 for the City's share of the FEMA Assistance to Firefighter's Grant Program of \$27,000.00 for the purchase of a new cardiac monitor. Motion carried 4-0.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF TAYLORVILLE AND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the Agreement between the City of Taylorville and the Fire Protection District. The previous agreement dated July 15, 2009 will be terminated upon the effective date of the new Agreement.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to acknowledge and waive any Conflicts of Interest of the City Attorney representing the City and the Taylorville Fire Protection District in this Agreement and related matters thereto. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to approve the Agreement between the City and Fire Protection District for Fire Protection Services and Emergency Medical and/or Rescue Services. Motion carried 4-0.

SALE OF ICOM RADIOS

Fire Chief Crews advised the Department has 17 obsolete ICOM radios he would like to place on the re-sale market at a cost of \$150.00 per radio, stating an Ordinance would have to be prepared to sell the City Equipment.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to direct City Attorney Romano to prepare an Ordinance to sell 17 ICOM radios at a cost of \$150.00 per radio. Motion carried 4-0.

CITY CONTRIBUTION TO PURCHASE A NEW SPARKY THE DOG

Fire Chief Crews advised the purchase of a new Sparky the Dog was taken out of his budget, but he recently received a \$27,000.00 grant to be used for a new cardiac monitor. He is asking to use \$5,000.00 from his budget to go forward with purchasing a new Sparky the Dog. He advised Sparky the Dog is used several times throughout the year and the children always enjoy it. He will be raising funds and reaching out to others for the remainder of the cost to replace. The Committee asked what he plans to do with the old; he will donate it to the Fire Marshall's Office.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to allow Fire Chief Crews to use \$5,000.00 from Community Relation Expense Line to put towards the purchase of a new Sparky the Dog. Motion carried 4-0.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Total of Service Calls: 165; they are currently about two weeks ahead of last year's calls for service as they hit 1000 in July this year
- Inspected 12 businesses
- Trained on the following: Pumping and drafting operations, company drills, SCBA drills, sprinklers and standpipes operations, musculoskeletal injuries and dive training.
- Participated with Christian County Fair activities
- Illinois Dept. of Public Health, EMS inspections
- IFSI Academy begins September 10th, there are two members attending
- Paramedic Class graduation for Firefighters Chausse and Holmes

Fire Chief Crews and Assistant Fire Chief Goodall discussed some changes with the Charleston billing process. Currently the Department receives payment from the State which gives no explanation of benefits or reports of what the funds are for; Charleston has the software and capabilities to match who payments are for.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Alderman Walters advised he attended a Pre-Construction Meeting in Springfield regarding the Walnut Street Project which will starting on Monday, August 13th; they will be working on the project six days a week.

Alderman Olive thanked the Fire Department for assisting with the Christian County Fair, stating every year they have a program for the children and they patrol the area.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Olive to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 P.M.

Ernie Dorchinecz, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee