EMERGENCY SERVICES January 3, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Dorchinecz Alderman Olive Alderman Vota Alderman Burtle

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry Police Chief Hile Assistant Fire Chief Goodall Alderman Budd Alderman Walters Alderman Lanzotti Treasurer Nation Superintendent Speagle Kellie Hamell Shirley Sams Owen Lasswell Elaine Wilkinson Chris Skultety Megan Bryant Larry Daugherty

Chairman Dorchinecz called the meeting to order at 6:28 P.M.

TAYLORVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE CHANGE-CHAPTER 6 REGARDING CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO

Police Chief Hile discussed changing wording of the Taylorville Municipal Code Chapter 6 regarding Cigarettes and Tobacco. He is recommending changing the language to mirror the Illinois State Statute concerning the distribution and possession of alternate nicotine products to persons under 18 years of age which he provided to the Committee for review.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to direct City Attorney Romano to draft an Ordinance to incorporate the language to mirror the Illinois State Statute concerning the distribution and possession of alternative nicotine products to persons under 18 years of age in Title 3 Chapter 6 of the Taylorville City Code. Motion carried 4-0.

PURCHASE A NEW DELL SERVER

Jeff Durbin, CTI contacted Police Chief Hile advising while performing the regular maintenance on the computer system they had discovered the records were not getting backed up and there was an issue with the server. The server had crashed but they were able to make a temporary fix.

Chief Hile was advised the server for the rest of the Municipal Building was aging and had problems also. Chief Hile and Water Manager Kellie Hamell met with CTI Representative Aaron Bialas to discuss a proposal to cover both servers. Mr. Bialas presented a proposal which would combine the two servers into one unit maintaining records and integrity separately for both the Police Department and the rest of the Municipal Building. Kellie Hamell had already received approval to get quotes for a new server, she advised the new server will have more memory and the backups will be done automatically; and the server will be placed in the radio room in the basement which will be locked. Mr. Bialas presented a quote for a server to consolidate the information currently on the server in the Water Collection Department with a server for the Police Department. The funds would be equally divided between Administration, the Water Department and the Police Department. for the purchase of a Dell PowerEdge R540 Server which would house the individual servers.

The cost should not exceed \$21,215.88. Mr. Bialas advised the only adjustment could possibly fall under labor cost, but if an adjustment; would probably be lower as the City is already under a maintenance agreement. There were several questions asked regarding how the system would work, who would be able to access it and would it be something that could be added to as the needs of the City changes. Superintendent Speagle was in attendance and had questions also, after much discussion Superintendent Speagle was asked to make this issue an agenda item on his Water Committee Agenda which will be next Thursday, if Aaron Bialas and Jeff Durbin with CTI could attend to answer questions.

EQUIPMENT FOR WIFI ACCESSIBILITY FOR POLICE DEPT

Chief Hile advised the need for Wi-Fi accessibility throughout the Department for training purposes as well as briefings during incidents. The Department is going to have in car video recording systems and the Officers will eventually have body cameras and WiFi is needed for both.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to allow Police Chief Hile to obtain Wi-Fi accessibility from Computer Techniques Inc. for the Police Department at a cost not to exceed \$1,400.00. Motion carried 4-0.

PURCHASE 3 ARMOR EXPRESS RAZOR GEN II BODY ARMORS

Chief Hile asked to purchase 3 Armor Express Razor GEN II body armors at a cost of \$795.00 each for a total of \$2,385.00 from Ray O' Herron Company. He currently has \$1,592.00 in the Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Grant which he will use to pay 50% of the cost which leaves a balance of \$1,192.50.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to approve the purchase of 3 Armor Express Razon Gen II body armor at a cost of \$795.00 each for a total of \$2,385.00 from Ray O' Herron. (\$1,192.50 will come from the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant). Motion carried 4-0.

PURCHASE A NEW SOFTWARE PROGRAM AND SERVICES FROM EMERGITECH

Police Chief Hile is recommending transitioning from the current program, Mobile Synch to the EmergiTech software and services. He advised the EmergiTech software is a more versatile program for Law Enforcement. This new system will connect the Police Department with Christian County and will allow the Department to become compliant with the upcoming mandate concerning the reporting of crime information to the Department of Justice. The Department will be mandated by 2020 to transition to National Incident Based Reporting System or NIBERS.

The first year total, which includes the annual subscription, off-site management, system configuration and setup is \$49,754.00, the next 4 years, the annual subscription is \$22,828.00.

Finance Chairman Alderman Budd advised there are no funds at this time for this purchase and now that the new Water Plant is being built there are no additional funds available to borrow from the Water Fund. Chairman Dorchinecz asked if this purchase could wait, Chief Hile stated it could wait but he obtained the quote in April, and as Alderman Budd had asked the Superintendents to hold off making any purchases at that time, he never brought it before the Committee. He is presenting it now due to the Federal mandates which have to be in place by 2020. Chief Hile had called to make sure the price he obtained in April was still good now, it is good through January, he was advised it could be higher after that point as costs are going up.

Chairman Dorchinecz advised there needs to be a procedure in place to determine the money situation as Chief Hile did as he was asked to do by not bringing this issue to Committee last April when he obtained the quotes and he is still being told the funds are not available. He stated he understands there is a revenue problem at this time but this issue has to be addressed before 2020.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to table this issue at this time due to money restraints. Motion carried 4-0.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Chief Hile advised he would have the breakdown of calls for 2018 at the February meeting.
- He attended a meeting in Springfield today and stated the City Officer involved in the Drug Task Force was praised for a job well done, as there is a significant number of cases being handled.
- The Department has been involved in working on cases involving internet crimes against children
- Department has been involved in the safe passage program.
- The Kids, Cops and Christmas Program was a success, 74 children participated. They were able to help more children this year because of the generous donations received for the tornado.

- The school officials are very happy with School Resource Officer, Officer Thomas as he is very engaged with the students as well as the staff.
- Chief Hile and Officers Chris Adams and Kirsten Bolinger worked two hour shifts at Kroger on December 14th for the Salvation Army which was a success.

Chief Hile advised an Officer was responding to a call when he hit a deer which resulted in front end damage to the squad car, the State Police responded.

Mayor Barry asked that the speed limit monitor be brought back into town as it has been out by the Water plant for a while.

REVIEW DRAFT OF AMBULANCE ORDINANCE

Chairman Dorchinecz asked that everyone review the draft of the Ambulance Ordinance as presented and make any recommendations to him to change before next months meeting. The Committee will review the draft at next month's meeting. Chairman Dorchinecz asked that Paula Dunn and Larry Daugherty be invited to attend as he will present them with a copy of the draft ordinance to review.

REVISIT CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT PLAN

Chairman Dorchinecz advised the intent of the Continuity of Government Plan is to outline the preservation, maintenance, or reconstitution of government's ability to carry out constitutional authorities and responsibilities during times of crisis and/or throughout events that may affect the seat of constitutional government.

Chairman Dorchinecz asked all present to review the Continuity of Government information and to make any recommendations or changes to him before February 1st so he can make changes if needed to have ready to review at the February Emergency Services Committee Meeting. Assistant Fire Chief Goodall was asked to provide copies of the plan to all Aldermen and Superintendents.

UPDATE ON SEARCH AND RESCUE

Fire Chief Crews and Assistant Fire Chief Goodall are working with the County to establish a new City/County Search and Rescue Team and enhancing the existing Damage Assessment Team. Assistant Chief Goodall advised there are 28 members that volunteer giving their time to help in time of need; specifically searching for lost persons they have helped several communities.

Through joint City/County funding, both teams are self-supporting and available through mutual aid agreements to partner cities and counties. Team members are professionally credentialed, uniformed and equipped with the tools they need to fulfill the tasks in City and County.

DAMAGE ASSESSMENT TEAM

Assistant Fire Chief Goodall advised the Damage Assessment Team accessed over 700 homes in Taylorville and a few in Stonington after the tornado. He advised all team members are set up to be dispatched on phones and are ready to go when needed.

DISCUSSION OF INCIDENT COMMAND COURSE

The Taylorville Fire Department and Christian County Emergency Management Agency hosted an all-day Incident Management Course at the Taylorville Hospital Annex. Assistant Fire Chief Goodall advised it was preplanned prior to the tornado, individuals that attended the class were from law enforcement, school representatives, public works, public health, hospital representatives and other organizations that are key players in disasters affecting communities. He stated it is vital that a plan be in place and discussed how smooth things ran with all the proper steps and procedures in place, everyone knows their role and responsibilities, he recommends that all Aldermen attend the next course.

CONSIDERATION OF S.A.F.E.R. GRANT APPLICATION

Chairman Dorchinecz advised Chief Crews had contacted him to ask that this issue be tabled until next month. Chairman Burtle asked Assistant Chief Goodall to ask Chief Crews to provide a list of all the pros and cons of obtaining Firefighters through the S.A.F.E.R. Grant Program to discuss at next month's meeting.

Assistant Fire Chief Goodall advised the Department gets the Firefighter for three years with no wages, the City is obligated to keep the firefighter for an additional year after that time period.

UPDATE ON NUISANCE ORDINANCE

There continues to be a problem with nuisance calls which are being called through 911 which forces the Fire Department to respond to help with situations that are not an emergency. These type of non-emergency calls hinders the ability of the Fire Department personnel to promptly respond to emergency situations. Chairman Dorchinecz advised there are recommendations of changes to language of the Nuisance Ordinance which has to be reviewed by the Taylorville Fire Protection District also, City Attorney Romano will forward this information to them.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- For January-December 2018 the Department had 1,686 calls
- Public Service Calls-264
- Rescue/EMS Calls-1,161
- Beginning background checks on three volunteer applicants
- Having an After-Actions Meeting on January 16th at Vision Way starting at 10:00 A.M. moderated by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency
- New Program purchased by the District to track training records, warehouse all topics of classes in the Fire/EMS
- There will be a special meeting to be announced by the Taylorville Fire Protection District for letting of bids or a new fire engine.
- Squad 1 had to be towed to Decatur for repairs today

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Assistant Fire Chief Goodall advised they ran between 70-80 calls the night of the tornado on December 1st.

Alderman Budd advised they are still in need of a refrigerator for the Gagne Building. It was suggested they may be able to get a used appliance donated, Mayor Barry advised he would try to get one.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Ernie Dorchinecz, Chairman Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES February 7, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Dorchinecz Alderman Olive Alderman Vota

MEMBERS ABSENT Alderman Burtle

ALSO PRESENT

- Mayor Barry Police Chief Hile Assistant Fire Chief Goodall Alderman Walters Megan Bryant Billie Heberling Chris Skultety Jeremy Alwerdt
- Shane Ponzel Christian Nelson Kirsten Bolinger Nate Thompson Paula Dunn Larry Daugherty Shirley Sams Owen Lasswell

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

REVIEW DRAFT OF AMBULANCE ORDINANCE

Chairman Dorchinecz asked if anyone had any questions or amendments to the draft of the proposed Ambulance Ordinance as presented. Alderman Olive asked why the City is implementing an Ambulance Ordinance as the State requires that the ambulance services be certified. He will be voting no. Assistant Fire Chief Goodall advised the City needs an Ambulance Ordinance to ensure that there is a minimum number of ambulances to cover the residents of the City.

Upon review of the proposed draft ordinance there was some confusion as there was more than one draft of the Ordinance at the table. Chairman Dorchinecz advised in the future each draft should have a date on it.

Chairman Dorchinecz asked Paula Dunn of Dunn's Ambulance if she had any questions or concerns with any of the language in the draft ordinance. She did not but she was not sure if she was looking at the same copy he was. Chairman Dorchinecz pointed out the changes on the draft he was referring to. She advised her company is doing a good job and she does not have any objections.

Alderman Walters asked that everyone be provided with a final draft copy; Chairman Dorchinecz advised all would be presented with the latest version of the draft ordinance.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to direct City Attorney to prepare the proposed Ambulance Ordinance as presented. Motion carried 2-1.

CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT PLAN

Chairman Dorchinecz read the memo from Fire Chief Crews which is as follows:

The City of Taylorville lacks a formal Continuity of Government Plan. The intent of the Continuity of Government Plan is to outline the preservation, maintenance, or reconstitution of government's ability to carry out constitutional authorities and responsibilities during times of crisis and/or throughout events that may affect the seat of constitutional government.

Chairman Dorchinecz and retired City Clerk Peabody had worked together to make a flow sheet outlining the steps to annex property into the City. He is recommending rather than following the plan as presented, which has all the job titles of Mayor, City Clerk etc. included in one, that a flow sheet be prepared which outlines each individual person's duties. The Aldermen for example would have a flow sheet specifically for them outlining their duties step by step rather than having to read the whole plan.

Alderman Vota recommended some language changes be implemented and some titles be removed. Chairman Dorchinecz will be meeting with Fire Chief Crews and Assistant Fire Chief Goodall to discuss the plan and asked that everyone review the Continuity of Government Plan and present him any suggestions to implement before next month's meeting.

APPROVAL OF VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER APPLICATIONS

Assistant Fire Chief Goodall presented information to the Committee for Volunteer Firefighter Candidates. There is gear for one of the candidates; the other candidate has certifications he will have to obtain before he is active.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to accept applicant #1 and applicant #2 as Volunteer Firefighters. Motion carried 3-0.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Total Calls for Service-151
- Training: CPR, Tornado Response, Fire Ground Management, Communication
- Discussed a new training program, with classes online to advance their certifications
- Fire Chief Crews and Assistant Fire Chief Goodall met with personnel from the Springfield Fire and Police Departments, to inform them about the tornado. They presented them with a 26-point topic program to review.
- The Fire Department responded to a call for a dog that had fallen through the frozen pond at Manners Park. The dog is fine and has been reunited with its owners.

Alderman Vota stated Fire Chief Crews and Assistant Fire Chief Goodall did a very good job with a presentation to the Kiwanis Club; he recommends that they show this presentation at the Emergency Services Committee Meeting.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Presented a report to summarize the activity for 2018 and a report on current events and/or issues and future projects. He advised there were 13,899 Calls for Service (up nearly 10% from 2017).
- The Central Illinois Enforcement Group met for its first board meeting of the year. The purpose was to review Investigations from 2018. Meth is still the biggest issue. This group has been extremely busy in this area. The Task Force Commander praised the efforts of the detective working the cases in our area for his willingness to always help, ability to follow through on investigations, and his overall performance.
- In June, the Department will be hosting an active shooter trainer course. This course will be held at the Taylorville High School and will be instructed by ADAMAX Tactical Training, other counties will be invited to participate.
- On February 19, 2019 Conservation Police from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources will be conducting a training at our agency for local Law Enforcement from around the area. This training will provide an overview of conservation laws, how the agencies can work together, and what IDNR can provide to local agencies. Lake Superintendent Jackson will be asked to attend.
- Met with Mindy Melton who is an Outreach Coordinator for the Gateway Foundation. They will be working together concerning adolescent addiction. They will be meeting with SRO Thomas and school officials to develop a plan and implement programs to help our youth with addiction. Vaping is still a significant problem. A new Ordinance was adopted on February 4, 2019 prohibiting alternative nicotine products to minors.
- Currently working with the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners to revamp the current testing process and testing materials for both Police and Fire. The current process is very expensive and very lengthy and does not provide the convenience and flexibility needed. This would not only change the entry level testing but also any promotional testing as well. They will be meeting with the Board and other agencies will be present to discuss their current testing procedures. This will need to be in place soon, as the eligibility lists and promotional lists are all expiring this year and there are positions that need filled.
- The Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board announced the upcoming availability of additional funding for the camera grant. The application process would begin in January 2019. The grant covers both in-car cameras and body worn cameras. The grant covers the cost of the cameras and any training associated with the use of the cameras. It does not cover storage or the installation of the

equipment. The in-car cameras in use now are aging and beginning to fail. This has caused several issues with the court and defense attorneys.

- Recently applied for a grant through Norfolk Southern Railroad; could receive up to \$5,000.00. Following the recent tornado, a needs assessment with the staff was conducted. A recommendation from the officers conducting the Search and Rescues stated getting equipment and supplies to affected areas and providing security would have been greatly enhanced with the use of an ATV vehicle. This type of vehicle would be beneficial with patrolling the Lake area, the bike trail, and numerous events each year within the community.
- Recently applied for and was awarded a \$2,000.00 grant for Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force that the Department is a member of. Officer Nelson, who is assigned to this task force, took care of the entire process and was awarded the grant which he used to purchase the necessary equipment and parts and built the computer specifically for the needs of these types of investigations. He will be a presenter scheduled for a Central Illinois Association of Law Enforcement Executives (CIALEE) meeting.
- SRO Officer Thomas and Officer Dickey attended the NRA's National School Shield Security Assessor Training. SRO Officer Thomas is currently assisting the Taylorville High School and the Taylorville Junior High School with their Security Assessment. This will be a great benefit for both the officers and the schools.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Police Chief Hile advised the Committee two weeks ago an Officer was involved in a crash responding to a call. The car has been totaled, in the amount of \$9,200.00 to put towards the purchase of a new vehicle. This will be an agenda item next month. Alderman Vota asked that the purchase of a new vehicle be discussed with Finance Chairman Budd and City Treasurer Nation before addressing at next month's meeting. Chief Hile asked that the \$9,200.00 go into a fund for the purchase of a new patrol car and that the FTA Warrant Fees be kept in this fund as well.

Chief Hile advised he has an Officer that is going to be out starting in April and the Department has been very busy so far this year.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Vota to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Ernie Dorchinecz, Chairman Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES March 14, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Dorchinecz Alderman Olive Alderman Vota Alderman Burtle

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry Police Chief Hile Fire Chief Crews Alderman Walters Alderman Budd Alderman Lanzotti Shirley Sams Megan Bryant Billie Heberling Chris Skultety Alan Jackson Kellie Hamell Bill Newberry Police Chief Hile Dave Herpstreith Rob Thomason Christian Nelson Chase Dickey Christopher Adams Jeremy Alwerdt Christian Nelson Jeremy Alwerdt Matthew Adermann Alan Mills Andra Ebert Mike Walter Troy Hogart

Chairman Dorchinecz called the meeting to order at 6:40 P.M.

HIRING REPLACEMENT FIREFIGHTER

Fire Chief Crews addressed the Hiring of a Replacement Firefighter and the S.A.F.E.R Grant as one agenda item. Due to the parameters of the S.A.F.E.R. Grant for this year, he will not be applying. This year's grant is to retain the workforce already in place for Departments that are under budget restraints and the Department would have had to do layoffs.

Chief Crews advised one Firefighter recently took another position elsewhere which makes the number of active firefighters 14. Per Article 26 of the Taylorville Professional Local 3144 Union Contract the City is obligated to maintain a Department of 15. The current eligibility list has been exhausted. He and Police Chief Hile are working with the Board of Police and Fire Commission to hire a new vendor to begin the process to establish a new eligibility list. This process is going to take months to get started.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to direct Mayor Barry to send a letter to the Board of Police and Fire Commission to begin the hiring process for a new Firefighter. (The City is contractually obligated by Article 26 of the Taylorville Professional Local 3144 Union Contract) Motion carried 4-0.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Total Calls for Service-111
- Inspections -1 The GYM
- Training- Incident Management Communications
- Firefighter Chausse and Firefighter Holmes spent hours driving throughout the City with a GPS system to locate fire hydrants then were able to program the information which shows the locations of the fire hydrants. The Water Department will also be able to utilize this program.
- There will be a Severe Weather Season/Basic Weather Spotting Class held on April 11, 2019 at 5:30 P.M at the Taylorville Christian Church
- Monsanto contacted Chief Crews regarding a hazardous materials drill; Christian County and Montgomery County will be participating in the drill.
- Department will be assisting with a nursing home tabletop exercise.
- Chief Crews will be at the Presbyterian Church to help with a disaster plan; he and Police Chief Hile have toured the church.

- The Fire Department will be working with the Police Department on an active shooter exercise
- Chief Crews is assisting Logan County, who received a \$20,000 grant for I pads, through the Christian County EMA; the Taylorville Fire Department will receive 5 ipads
- Chief Crews gave a brief overview of the After-Action Report/Recommendations

Fire Chief Crews presented information for improvements for Christian County/Taylorville disaster management. He discussed the importance of establishing a "county space" that will serve as the Christian County Emergency Operations Center. Currently Christian County maintains an agreement with the City of Taylorville for use of the Fire Department classroom.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 P.M.

Ernie Dorchinecz, Chairman Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES April 4, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Dorchinecz Alderman Olive Alderman Vota Alderman Burtle

ALSO PRESENT

- Mayor Barry Police Chief Hile Fire Chief Crews Alderman Walters Alderman Budd Paula Dunn Gina Dunn Assistant Fire Chief Goodall Owen Lasswell
- Chris Skultety Mindy Durbin Kathy Driskell Marlin Brune Savannah Brune Dustin McClure Bill Jones Shirley Sams

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

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

There have been several directed patrols and traffic enforcement details conducted.

On April 2nd a search warrant was executed in which a half ounce of ICE methamphetamine, approximately 40 grams of substance containing methamphetamine, small amount of cocaine, cannabis and cannabis vape cartridges seized. Chief Hile stated these cartridges can be used out in the open as there is no odor. The resident was taken into custody.

On April 3rd a search warrant was conducted, unrelated to the aforementioned search warrant in which a resident was taken into custody for possession, distribution, and reproduction of child pornography. Chief Hile advised these cases are a tragedy for all including the officers who investigate these types of cases as they are subjected to the evidence. He advised there has been research which indicates repeated exposure to these types of offences can cause Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

The Officers have to complete training in order to meet State mandates as well as training for better tactics, investigative skills, emergency care, conducting interviews, control tactics and firearms training. He presented a list of 13 training sessions Officers have recently attended or are scheduled to attend. Continued training is essential for Law Enforcement as tactics as well as legislation change. He stated his Department has a strong reputation for training conducted in house as well as outside of the Department.

Submitted for a camera grant through the Illinois Training and Standards Board. If awarded, this grant could provide \$80,000.00 for updated in-car video systems. The grant does not cover installation or storage; he has contacted Alpha Omega the cost will be minimal.

In February, Norfolk Southern Foundation asked that he prepare a proposal for a project need. He requested assistance to purchase an All-Terrain Vehicle for the agency. This type of vehicle would have been a great asset during and after the tornado. The Department was awarded \$3,000.00 towards the project.

The Department has assisted another three individuals through Safe Passage seeking assistance. All three were provided transportation to Gateway. He spoke with a young lady they assisted with getting into a facility in Chicago for treatment; she called to give thanks for all the help and stated she was doing well.

April 11th there is a National Weather Service Basic Weather spotting class. There will be weather radios available at a reduced price and help to program them at Kroger from 3:00-6:00 P.M.

April 22nd there will be a drug take back at Walgreens from 10:00 A.M. -2:00 P.M. The week of April 15th is Telecommunications Week; he asked all in attendance to stop in to recognize the men and women of the Dispatch Center.

May 11th there will be a Community Shredding at CNB Bank from 9:00 A.M-11:00 A.M. They will be collecting food donations.

The week of May 12th through May18th is National Police Week. On May 2nd the Illinois Police Memorial Service will be held in Springfield. The Department will have representation at the memorial service.

During the month of May, the Optimist Club recognizes the month as Respect for Law. During the month, their meetings highlight topics and speakers surrounding Law Enforcement. He has been working with the event coordinator, Terry Wright, in preparation for the monthly events including the Respect for Law Breakfast. They have secured the United States Postal Inspector's Office, Dr. Schlosser from the Police Training Institute, Acting Director Brendan Kelly from the Illinois State Police, and the United States Marshall Service. He stated the Department greatly appreciates the members of the Optimist Club for their recognition and service to the community.

Alderman Burtle asked why tickets are not issued when there is an accident. He is aware of three accidents in 18 months and no tickets were issued; one accident was out of state. He stated if someone is rear ended there should be a ticket issued. Alderman Walters stated from an insurance company view that if a ticket is issued, it gives the insurance more to work with for their policyholder. If both are to blame each person's insurance will have to pay. Chief Hile advised the investigation determines fault not a citation, an accident report is always completed. If there are only minor damages the person involved sometimes does not want the person to be issued a ticket, he advised he would do some research.

TORNADO PRESENTATION

Fire Chief Crews and Assistant Chief Goodall gave a very informative presentation regarding a time frame leading up to and the aftermath of the December 1st tornado. He advised the first warning came at 7:48 A.M he kept a close watch during the day monitoring the lightning and wind conditions and made the decision to cancel the Christmas Parade. He stated the policy is to never activate the tornado sirens more than once but he broke protocol that day.

He advised when the tornado hit Joplin, Mo. it wiped out two of the five Fire Stations. He was tracking the storm and had his Department move all of the vehicles to the lake area during the tornado.

There have been 42 tornadoes in Christian County since 1950, four in 2018. He stated the information that was heard over the radio and T.V. was coming directly from Assistant Fire Chief Goodall, who was out tracking the tornado. Both Assistant Fire Chief Goodall and Firefighter Hackney continued working the night of the tornado even though their homes had been in the path of the storm. He put out an Emergency Communications message simply saying "I need help" and they had 150 Firefighters here to assist. The equipment is kept in cases at the Fire Station and it only took 20 minutes to set up the Emergency Center. There were 4 individuals that stayed here for a week to help, several elected officials were here including outgoing Governor Rauner and Incoming Governor Pritzker, as well as Representative Rodney Davis, Senator Andy Manar, and Senator Tammy Duckworth.

There had been a disaster drill with several Departments participating using a fictitious location which was based on Hewittville; due to this drill everyone knew where to go and what to do. Things ran very smoothly. Mutual Aid had Mabas towers sent to the area which lit up the whole area. The chrome books the Department had were not useful during the disaster, he is looking at grants to purchase laptops. Two drones the Department have were very helpful. There were 700 homes effected by the tornado, but the tornado was not declared a Federal Disaster Area.

The Committee thanked Chief Crews and Assistant Chief Goodall for all they did relating to the tornado and for the presentation.

Chief Crews thanked all the Departments, Police, Public Works etc. for all of the assistance. Everyone worked together very well and it was a joint effort from everyone to assist the residents.

There were over 30 agencies set up at Taylorville Christian Church to assist the residents with a number of services such as food, shelter, insurance questions, etc. He also thanked the IDOT and IDOC stating they played a big part as well.

Chief Crews again discussed the importance of a Continuity of Government Plan and advised Chad Coady is in the process of making new maps for the Department.

Alderman Budd stated on December 4, 2018 the Church of Christ began distributing food and clothing to residents. The City then set up an area at the Gagne Building for donations. They received items like gloves, blankets, shovels, rakes etc. and all types of building materials such as plywood, drywall, etc. from local agencies as well as several businesses from neighboring areas. Aldermen Budd and Alderman Olive traveled to Missouri. He advised "House in a Box" is coming this summer; they will completely furnish a home with everything except electronics.

REVIEW AMBULANCE ORDINANCE

Chairman Dorchinecz had received a letter from Mrs. Paula Dunn and a phone call from Mr. Bob Dunn, owners of Dunn's Ambulance, concerning the proposed Ambulance Ordinance. Mrs. Dunn had two different drafts and was unsure which one was correct. She was presented with the current draft the Committee was reviewing. She stated that Dunn's Ambulance is running 24/7 and has not had any problems. She and Suttons had kept each other informed and worked well together. Currently they are the only company in operation. She stated that her employees are doing a fantastic job and Taylorville Memorial Hospital is pleased with the service. The Committee recognized the work of Dunn's Ambulance but also stated that the City cannot refuse another agency if they wish to operate in the City.

FY 2019/2020 FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to forward the FY 2019/2020 Fire Department Budget to the Finance Committee. Motion carried 4-0.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Total Calls for Service- 156
- Inspections 12 Businesses
- Training- Fire Dynamics and how they apply to Positive Pressure Ventilation
- National Weather Service Basic Weather Spotting Class will be April 11, 2019
- Storm Discussion with City of Champaign, Sangamon County Public Health Regional Conference and Central Illinois Fire Chief's Association
- Firefighter Blake Chausse submitted and was awarded an EMS Grant; the Department received \$4,000.00 which will be used to purchase a pediatric kit.
- Captain Adermann stripped and waxed the floors at the Fire Station
- Working on Disaster Tabletop Exercises and severe weather preparedness presentation for Hickory Estates and Davita Healthcare; others to follow April-July.
- April 16, 2019 the National Weather Service Offices have requested a meeting with him and Assistant Fire Chief Goodall to discuss our preparation and response to the December 1st tornado.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 P.M.

Ernie Dorchinecz, Chairman Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES May 7, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Bryant Alderman Olive Alderman Driskell

MEMBERS ABSENT Alderman Lanzotti

ALSO PRESENT

- Mayor Barry Alderman Dorchinecz Alderman Budd Alderman Burtle City Attorney Romano Police Chief Hile Deputy Chief Childers Fire Chief Crews Assistant Fire Chief Goodall
- Paula Dunn Sharon Kramer Caleb Ingram Holly Krepel Nancy Likes Gina Dunn Chad Stephens Trisha Lowrance Anita Clark Alex Jones

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

REVIEW AMBULANCE ORDINANCE

City Attorney Romano advised he had reviewed the draft received from Paula Dunn, had only made one change to page 5 item g. and presented Mrs. Dunn with a new copy to review. There was some confusion regarding the number of ambulances required, what paperwork had to be submitted, etc. Attorney Romano answered all of their questions and advised the rules of this Ordinance only pertain to 9-1-1 calls not the private calls. Any ambulance used for 9-1-1 calls has to be Advanced Life Support (ALS). This is a level of ambulance service also referred to as Advanced EMT by the Illinois Emergency Medical Services (EMS) systems under the Illinois Department of Public Health Rules and Regulations. The Ambulance has to be appropriately equipped and manned by qualified ALS personnel. The ambulance service is only required to have one ALS ambulance in service, but any ambulance that is being used for 9-1-1 calls must meet the requirements.

The Committee was asked if another ambulance service came to Taylorville, would there be a time frame they would have to meet before being allowed to make 9-1-1 calls; no, there is no time frame. They were also asked if the operator comes in default of requirements who is responsible for issuing the fines. City Attorney Romano advised the Police Department issues the City Ordinance Violations which range from \$250.00-\$750.00. If issued a ticket you have 14 calendar days to pay over the counter. If you don't pay the fine in that time period it is sent to the City Attorney to prepare for court then you are responsible for court fees also. In addition, the license can be terminated until operator comes into compliance.

After a lengthy discussion, a question remained regarding the wording of the Ordinance, which states "it is the best interest of the City that there be three non-municipal owned ALS Ambulances appropriately equipped and manned by qualified Advanced Life Support (ALS) personnel be available for service 24 hours per day/seven days per week/365 days per year within the Corporate limits of the City of Taylorville Fire Protection District. He advised that it is the best interest of the City but the minimum number is one.

After discussion, Chairman Driskell asked Mrs. Dunn if she was happy with the Ordinance; she advised that she was.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Chairman Driskell to recommend to the City Council to enact the Ordinance Adding Section 4-1-16 to Chapter 1 of Title 4 of the Taylorville City Code (re: License required for non-municipal owned ALS Ambulance Services). Motion carried 2-1.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Total Calls for Service: 127
- Inspected twelve locations, Farmers Supply and GSI were inspected by all shifts
- Toured GSI, advising they have a very strong weather plan in place for the safety of the employees

- Attended a three-day class for Hazardous Materials Training at Farmers Supply (developed by Capt. Rogers)
- Had a Weather Spotter Class at Taylorville Christian Church; it was well attended
- Taylorville Memorial Hospital offered the building for training before it comes down
- Had a Tabletop exercise at Davita; will also be going to the nursing homes
- FEMA Mitigation Grant process is beginning, it will take about a year to complete
- He and Assistant Chief Goodall gave a tornado presentation in Bond County, with a very strong turnout
- Had a Command and General Staff Refresher
- Attended a Local Emergency Planning Committee
- The Department is going to receive some IPads from a grant which will be much more efficient when doing damage assessments.

FY 2019/2020 POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to forward the FY 2019/2020 Police Department Budget to the Finance Committee. Motion carried 3-0.

UPDATE-CAMERA GRANT

Chief Hile had submitted for a camera grant through the Illinois Training and Standards Board. He was recently notified of the award of grant for in-car camera system project. The Department was awarded \$69,024.00 towards the project and per guide lines, the project must be completed by June 30, 2019. The grant does not cover installation or storage. Alderman Budd asked what the cost for installation was going to be. Alpha Omega gave him a reduction in price the total cost will be between \$1,300.00 and \$1,400.00. With this grant, the items have to be purchased then submit the receipts for payment. The City should be reimbursed by July or August. Chief Hile advised this is all included in the budget. He will have to purchase a special piece of equipment to convert the camera that is already installed in the canine vehicle.

SERVER FOR VIDEO STORAGE

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Driskell to recommend to the City Council to allow Police Chief Hile to purchase a Buffalo TeraStation 32 Terabyte RAID High Performance Network Attached Storage from Newegg at a cost of \$2,199.99. Motion carried 3-0

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Have made several traffic stops resulting in the seizure of cannabis, illegal prescriptions, methamphetamine and US Currency. An additional search warrant was executed and evidence recovered concerning an ongoing investigation of Possession, Distribution, and Reproduction of Child Pornography. Over the past few weeks the Department has assisted four more individuals in Obtaining assistance and rehabilitation for their substance abuse.
- On Saturday, April 27th, the National Drug Take Back was held. Our agency hosted and monitored a collection site at Walgreens and collected 354 pounds of unwanted prescription and over the counter medication. He spoke with an agent from Springfield and he advised over 10,000 pounds have been collected in Central Illinois.
- Saturday, May 11th the Department is hosting a shred event at CNB Bank and Trust from 9:00 A.M. until 11:00 A.M. There is no fee but will be accepting donations of nonperishable food items for the Taylorville Food Pantry.

Chief Hile and Deputy Chief Childers discussed drug confiscated funds. The States Attorney will help in determining what funds the City will receive. All funds from confiscated funds have to be used for drug enforcement.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Alderman Dorchinecz commended Alderman Driskell for doing an excellent job for her first meeting. He stated Alderman Driskell and Alderman Bryant will do a good job.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Bryant to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES July 3, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Bryant Alderman Olive Alderman Lanzotti Alderman Driskell

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry Treasurer Nation Alderman Burtle Alderman Budd Fire Chief Crews Police Chief Wheeler Deputy Chief Childers Shirley Sams

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

NEW HIRE

Firefighter Kyle Rentfrow has taken another position with the State Fire Marshall's Office. Chief Crews advised they are down to 13 as they have not replaced Firefighter Reid yet. The hiring list was exhausted.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to direct the Mayor to prepare a letter to send to the Police and Fire Commission to begin the hiring process to fill the vacancy in the Fire Department due to the resignation of Firefighter Kyle Rentfrow. Motion carried 4-0.

WEATHER SIREN POLICY

Chief Crews had provided everyone with a copy of the Weather Siren Policy to review. The Fire Department, as well as the Aldermen, have been asked why the sirens have been activated when there was no sign of a tornado. He explained that Taylorville is a Storm Ready Community. The sirens are for severe weather also, such as straight-line winds. The last time the sirens were set was for high winds; there was rotation in Pawnee that had super cells. After discussion, the Committee agreed it is a good policy with no changes needed. They commended Fire Chief Crews for doing a good job and keeping everyone informed. Alderman Burtle recommended sending a copy of the Weather Siren Policy to all residents by including it in their water bills at the beginning of next year's storm season.

The vendor for the sirens is coming to check them; two of the sirens are not rotating. The sirens were provided by a grant.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Total Calls- 171
- Eight Business Inspections
- Had Training on: Blitz Attack Strategies

Auto-X Tool Demonstration Damage Assessment Class Apparatus Placement Rescue Jack Tool Demonstration Search/Rescue Refresher

- A City/County Incident Management Team was organized to handle disasters
- Fire Apparatus were opened/specs evaluated by apparatus committee, being purchased by the Taylorville Fire Protection District. (In 1989 the cost of a new Fire Apparatus was \$235,000.00, now the cost is \$630,000.00.
- Participated in a Three-Day Illinois Department of Public Health Presentation

COMMUNITY POLICING PROJECT

Police Chief Wheeler advised the Committee that he is going to have a town meeting which will be held at the Taylorville High School on Tuesday, July 30, 2019 from 5:30 P.M.–7:00 P.M. He and Deputy Chief Childers will be there to answer questions or concerns from the public. Mayor Barry asked that all Aldermen attend.

Chief Wheeler has a Facebook page for the Police Department. Chief Wheeler, Mindy Durbin and Officer Bollinger will upload pictures and inform the public of thefts, drug arrests and crime pattern areas such as which blocks have had car thefts. He has also had the website updated to include a compliment form and a complaint form. Recently the Department received a complaint regarding a home thought to be selling drugs; they set up a surveillance crew and arrested two individuals for meth. The arrest and pictures of the individuals was then posted on Facebook to keep the public informed.

Officer Bollinger is creating a database for Special Needs to help the Officers to know how to help them while assisting them such as which individuals have hearing difficulties, etc. Aldermen Driskell requested the program be expanded to include residents with Alzheimer's.

SAFE PASSAGE PROGRAM

Chief Wheeler advised that there have already been two individuals helped with the Safe Passage Program this week. The coordinator, Denise Evans, is doing a great job; she is currently working in the booking room to have access to a telephone. He has received monetary donations as well as gift cards to assist with the program. Chief Wheeler stated that if the addiction is treated, the number of crimes in a community drop.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- June Calls for Service-1,607
- Sargent Toberman is now in charge of scheduling and is working on an assignment for a Community Policing function for the Illinois Innocence Project for people that were wrongly accused of a crime and have been incarcerated for over 20 years.
- On Saturday, August 3rd from 5:00 P.M.-7:00 P.M. the Drug Coalition is having a steak dinner fundraiser at the Moose, the cost is \$12.00.
- Applying for a Grant to purchase Body Cameras; Watch Guard has body cameras that work with the cameras in the vehicles.

Chief Wheeler presented the June Police Report and discussed the monthly activity, which included a list and number of arrests for battery, thefts, etc. as well as a list of Officers and number of arrests made by each.

Deputy Chief Childers discussed how the drug forfeiture fund works. There is approximately \$30,000.00 in the fund now, which is about 8 years of accumulated funds. When cash is confiscated during an arrest, the City Treasurer is required to sign papers and the Circuit Clerk keeps track of the funds and time frames. If an individual wants to fight to keep the money, they have 14 days to dispute it. They have to prove where the money came from but most do not. The Department has been very active in drug enforcement. The money in the forfeiture fund must be used for drug enforcement.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

The Committee inquired about the number of Officers on duty to help with the 4th of July. Deputy Chief Childers could ask for extra but it would be overtime. He was advised to ask if anyone was interested to ensure everyone's safety.

Alderman Burtle thanked Chief Crews and Chief Wheeler for keeping the Aldermen informed and for the Facebook page to keep the public informed.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Bryant to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

EMERGENCY SERVICES August 1, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Bryant Alderman Olive Alderman Lanzotti Alderman Driskell

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry Treasurer Nation Police Chief Wheeler Deputy Chief Childers Fire Chief Crews Alderman Burtle Alderman Dorchinecz Alderman Budd Alderman Skultety Carol Endsley Owen Lasswell Brent Windell Mindy Durbin Owen Lasswell Nate Thompson Shane Ponzell Bill Jones Dustin McClure Shirley Sams

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

HIRING OF NEW POLICE OFFICER/STAFFING OF DISPATCHERS

Chief Wheeler advised he met with the Fire and Police Commission to discuss the hiring of a new Police Officer. The next person on the list is currently working as a Dispatcher for the Police Department. He will be going through the next step of testing; upon approval of testing Chief Wheeler will Bid/Advertise for a new dispatcher. No vote needed; this had prior approval.

POLICE CHAPLAIN

Alderman Lee Lanzotti has agreed to be the Police Chaplain. Alderman Lanzotti has had four years of training and received his license to be an Ordained Minister. Chief Wheeler will contact him when needed. Chief Wheeler stated at times the Officers need some spiritual guidance and help when they go on a call and have situations such as a suicide, and the Police Chaplain would be called to offer comfort with family members. He will also offer guidance for the individuals in the Safe Passage Program.

REQUEST TO USE DRUG FORFEITURE FUNDS TO PURCHASE FURNITURE & ELECTRONICS

Chief Wheeler advised there is a room in the upstairs of the Police Department that has not been utilized. He will use Drug Forfeiture Funds to convert this area into an Intelligence and Training Room. The cost will be approximately \$4,000.00.

Chief Wheeler explained how the Drug Forfeiture Funds are distributed. There is approximately \$29,000.00 in the fund; the City will get 65% of this amount. When cash is confiscated during an arrest, the Police Department is required to sign papers and the State's Attorney keeps track of the funds and time frames. If an individual wants to fight to keep the money, they have 14 days to dispute it. They must prove where the money came from; most do not. When the Judge awards Drug Forfeiture Funds/Proceeds/Property to the City, the Treasurer must forward these funds to the State. The State then distributes funds to other organizations, with the City receiving 65%. The City owes the State \$5,260.00 that was not forwarded previously, stating the Treasurer was unaware of this procedure. Chief Wheeler will be maintaining the fund.

If a vehicle came from drug forfeiture, it may be used for the enforcement of any laws, not just drug enforcement. This differs from other drug forfeited property. The Department confiscated 6 or 7 vehicles; the City kept one and Chief Deputy Childers called the owners of the others. They did not want them, so they were towed. In the future, Chief Wheeler and Deputy Chief Childers will decide whether or not to confiscate vehicles depending on the value.

Under State Statute, drug forfeiture proceeds are to be utilized solely to assist with the funding of enforcement of drug laws. The funds should not be the sole source of funding for the agency. It is not intended for local governments to replace funds allocated for their Police Department Budget with drug forfeiture proceeds. Similarly, the Police Department should not fully replace the general revenue funds budgeted for the drug enforcement portion of the Police Department with forfeiture proceeds. Rather, the proceeds should be

used to supplement that portion of their budget. "Anticipated shared property should not be budgeted" per 725 ILCS 150/2. Chief Wheeler does not need a vote from the Council to use funds but he has to inform the Council what he utilizes the funds for. He presented the Committee with a list of items to be purchased for the Intelligence and Training Room. Alderman Burtle stated that although the funds are separate from the City Budgets and the purchases do not require a vote, he recommends that a motion be made each time funds are to be used from this fund to keep everyone informed. Chief Wheeler and the Committee agreed.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to approve Police Chief Wheelers request to utilize the Drug Asset Forfeiture Funds to purchase furniture and electronics to furnish and equip the Intelligence and Training Room. Motion carried 4-0.

SQUAD CAR POLICY

Chief Wheeler advised he would like to amend the Ordinance regarding the Squad Car Policy to allow the Officers to use their vehicles for limited personal use such as to go to the store or gym. This would be more convenient for the Officers, and Chief Wheeler felt that the presence of the Officers in the stores could deter activities.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to forward the Squad Car Policy to the Ordinance Committee. Motion carried 4-0.

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM UPDATE

The Community Action Team is doing very well, there are eight Officers that have joined the team. The Officers are in plain clothes but will be wearing their vests. Chief Wheeler is very proud of the work the Officers are doing.

REQUEST TO USE DRUG FORFEITURE FUNDS TO PURCHASE VEST OUTER COVERS

Chief Wheeler is requesting to use the Drug Forfeiture Fund to purchase vest outer covers. The cost is \$400.00 each. The vests will be worn by the Community Action Team Officers. He explained how the vest outer covers work, Police Officer Nate Thompson came forward to show what they normally wear under their uniforms and explained that the vest has panels that fit inside the outer cover. It is much more comfortable for the Officers as it distributes the weight more to take pressure off of back and hips and is easy to remove. If the Officers are doing reports, they can take the vests off easily while doing paperwork and can put back on quickly.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to approve Police Chief Wheeler's request to utilize the Drug Asset Forfeiture Funds to purchase vest outer covers for the Community Action Team Officers. Motion carried 4-0.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Total Calls: June 2019-1819 June 2018-1692
- Firearms Qualifications: all passed
- August 3rd 5:00 P.M. -7:00 P.M. Drug Coalition Fundraiser for the Safe Passage Program at the Moose
- National Night Out is August 6, 2019 5:00 P.M.- 8:00 P.M. at the Fire Station
- Have assisted nine individuals in the Safe Passage Program

The Committee was also provided with a Monthly Activity Chart showing the numbers of thefts, domestic battery, etc. They also received a list of traffic citations and arrests made by each Officer.

Mayor Barry asked Chief Wheeler to provide these numbers for 2018.

PERMISSION TO HIRE REPLACEMENT FIREFIGHTER

Chief Crews is asking to hire a replacement firefighter per contract. Firefighter Chausse has taken another position with the Normal Fire Department. He had less than four years of service with the Department; the City will be billing him for training, education and equipment.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to direct the Mayor to prepare a letter to send to the Police and Fire Commission to begin the hiring process to fill the vacancy in the Fire Department due to the resignation of Firefighter Blake Chausse per the contract. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVE UPCOMING MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Chief Crews presented the 2019/2020 Maintenance Report for the Fire Department vehicles. Jon Wamsley has handled the maintenance schedule for 12 years; the vehicles are in great shape. He would like to start scheduling the vehicles for maintenance the first week of August. The list will cost approximately \$6,575.00, but he expects the cost to be higher as the ladder truck many need extra repairs depending on what they find.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to approve the 2019/2020 Maintenance Schedule for the Fire Department Apparatus at a cost of approximately \$6,575.00. Motion carried 4-0.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Total Calls-143
- Inspections were suspended for July for other activities, and will resume in August.
- New policy implemented for Violent Instances
- Assisted in searches in Menard/Cass/Montgomery Counties
- Gave a tornado presentation at Hopedale Hospital/Illinois Insurance Underwriters
- Gave a tornado presentation for the National Weather Service Interns
- Procurement/Record Keeping/Equipment Management Policy adopted
- Awarded the bid for the new engine apparatus which is being purchased by the Taylorville Fire Protection District
- Meeting will be scheduled for an upcoming Active Shooter Exercise
- As of July, now implementing frivolous call charges which will be billed through Charleston.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

The Fire Department is now down three Firefighters, which is creating a lot of overtime. The Fire and Police Commission is working on the new hire lists. The Fire Department has approximately ten new applicants. There will be a meeting next week to review the test scores.

There is still a problem with water at the Fire Department coming from the roof and windows. They have tried different ways to fix the problem but the water is still coming in, which is resulting in damage to the walls and floors. When the Municipal Building was repaired, Alderman Olive had an engineer come look at it. Henson Robinson did the repairs to the Municipal Building roof and it now has a 30-year warranty. Chief Crews was advised to contact them.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES September 5, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Driskell Alderman Olive Alderman Lanzotti Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

- Mayor Barry Treasurer Nation Police Chief Wheeler Deputy Chief Childers Fire Chief Crews Assistant Chief Goodall Alderman Budd Alderman Skultety Kellie Hamell
- Carol Endsley Owen Lasswell Shirley Sams Matt Adermann Jon Wamsley Ron Holmes

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

PERMISSION TO HIRE REPLACEMENT FIREFIGHTER

Firefighter Price has taken another position with the Springfield Airport Authority. Chief Crews is asking per the City Contract to hire a replacement firefighter to maintain 15 firefighters. The Department is now down 4 Firefighters. Chief Crews stated the Firefighter Eligibility List had been depleted; but they are in the process of testing for a new eligibility list. There are ten candidates he will be interviewing. He advised there is a shortage of Firefighters nationwide at this time.

Captain Adermann was in attendance to thank the Mayor and Council for replacing the Firefighters but advised that the City must do something to retain the Firefighters. There have been four lost and another one coming; the Department is very frustrated. Captain Adermann was asked why these men were leaving; he stated he could not answer for them but two reasons are money and residency requirements. It is not just the new firefighters leaving. Two of the Firefighters that left had nine and thirteen years with the Department. He said the Union is asking Administration for help as the morale in the Fire Department is down and something needs to be done.

Chief Crews stated he is frustrated also; the Department is losing experienced personnel which results in more training. When he does the exit interviews, the men that resigned all said it was a hard decision for them but money and residency were the main reasons they left. The Committee recommended implementing a new program similar to what Police Chief Wheeler has done with the Community Action Team in the Police Department, and ask them for programs to implement outside of the regular routine. Mayor Barry asked Firefighter Holmes if he had any suggestions. He stated he is vested in Taylorville and grew up here. He suggested making different levels similar to the National Guard; after you learn one job you are moved to a higher level to learn new things.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to direct the Mayor to prepare a letter to send to the Police and Fire Commission to begin the hiring process to fill the vacancy in the Fire Department due to the resignation of Firefighter Matthew Price per the contract. Motion carried 4-0.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Total Calls-122
- Business Inspections- 12
- Conducted three BLS-CPR classes of 9 students, five Heart saver CPR/First-Aid/AED classes of 34 students.
- Training on drafting, truck company operations, SCBA and fire extinguishers
- Received a \$2,700.00 AFG Regional Training Grant
- Had a Taylorville Tornado presentation at the IEMA Conference.

All tornado sirens are active. There was not a Tuesday testing of the sirens; after repairs the technician did not reset the time for the weekly testing. The City is obtaining easements to relocate the Boyd Dappert siren due to new safety regulations; it will be moved to the South away from interfering high voltage transmission lines.

The 1942 Seagrave Fire Engine was moved to Kennedy's Metal Works. The truck is being torn down and evaluated for refurbishment.

There was a school safety meeting on September 5, 2019; all school plans were evaluated and revised as needed. The school is going to adopt a "Tactical Pause" approach to evacuations. There was a drill at the Taylorville High School; they evacuated the building in four minutes. A tabletop exercise with the school officials will be conducted on October 24, 2019.

Chief Crews advised that the Department is getting new preplan internet based software to assist shifts with building familiarity prior to incidents. The Department will be helping GSI and HSHS to prepare plans for their buildings as an active shooting drill.

Alderman Olive commended the Fire Department for their quick response to an incident he observed in his neighborhood stating they did a great job.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for service-1616 August 2019 1700-August 2018
- Received two payments of the new \$500.00 fee for towing
- Had the National Night Out at the Fire Station
- He will have several speaker engagements this month

Chief Wheeler advised that there were three search warrants this last month and 21 drug arrests. The Committee was also provided with a Monthly Activity Chart and a worksheet listing each Officer and number of arrests. Chief Wheeler was asked if someone took a picture of a driver talking on a cell phone if that would be permissible in court; it would be if the person taking the picture would be willing to testify.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Alderman Driskell rode along with the Police Department for four hours. She was very impressed with the way the Department operates and commended the Officers on the work they do.

Alderman Budd asked if the speed sign could be placed on Cherokee Street by the North School. He has already seen people talking on cell phones and speeding past the school with students present. Superintendent Speagle advised that a speed sign was purchased with Safety Grant money and can be used at the school.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman Emergency Services Committee

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Driskell Alderman Olive Alderman Lanzotti

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry Police Chief Wheeler Deputy Chief Childers Fire Chief Crews Alderman Budd Alderman Skultety

Owen Lasswell Shirley Sams

MEMBERS ABSENT Megan Bryant

Chairman Driskell called the meeting to order at 6:20 P.M.

APPOINTMENT OF POLICE SERGEANT

Chief Wheeler advised that the position of Sergeant will be put on hold for now. Chief Wheeler and Deputy Chief Childers discussed changes they would like to make to the current guidelines. Currently an Officer must be employed 4 years to qualify for the position. They would like to change it to 2 years and increase the salary.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Officer Nelson was named Officer of the Quarter
- Officer Bolinger continues to balance her duties as a Community Outreach Officer and Patrol and is in the process of organizing a Good Deed of the Month Contest
- Department has been busy with patrolling and crime prevention initiatives. The Patrolmen are very active in interacting with the public
- The CAT team continues to work on narcotic locations while balancing patrol duties
- Citizens are continuing to communicate with the Police Department on troubled areas.
- Officer Nichols is attending PTI and doing very well
- Calls for service 1612-September 2019 1671-September 2018
- Received \$2,000.00 in towing fees
- Officer Ponzel will graduate on 10-04-19 as a Field Training Officer.

Police Chief Wheeler provided the Committee with the Monthly Activity by Classification Report. Also provided were Traffic Citations by Officer Report and Arrests by Officer report comparing 2018/2019 totals.

Officer Withrow and Officer Adams attended a self-defense course. Alderman Driskell inquired about training classes for the public, stating a self-defense class for women would be pro-active. Deputy Chief Childers advised that both are very capable and well trained.

Chief Wheeler advised that Mr. Richard Grundy, who was employed as a Police Officer in Taylorville in the 60's, had recently visited the Police Department. Chief Wheeler and Deputy Chief Childers enjoyed his interesting history with the Department. He passed a picture of Mr. Grundy in his uniform.

Chief Wheeler has spoken with a representative from USDA regarding grants for rural areas. One of the grants he plans to apply for covers patrol cars 55%, with City covering remaining 45%, up to \$80,000.00. Mayor Barry advised there is one patrol car in the budget, and one vehicle loan has been recently paid in full.

Alderman Budd asked about having repair work done on the loose gravel parking lot at the side of the Police Department. A Police Officer slipped on the gravel. Chief Wheeler will be looking into applying for a Federal Grant for Capital Improvements that could be used for repairs. The Committee agreed that the parking lot should be concrete; the project would be bid. Alderman Budd advised that if awarded a grant, the matching funds could be contributed from the Utility Tax Funds from each Ward; the Wards have worked together in the past on City projects.

There was discussion regarding the need for more traffic speed devices to have in areas to slow traffic.

SAFE PASSAGE

Safe Passage assisted 12 persons in September. In October, Denise is currently assisting 5. The program is already making a difference on retail thefts. One example: Walmart retail thefts from July 1 to September 30 in 2018 had 11 retail thefts compared to 6 in 2019. This is a 54% decline. The Police Chaplain has been speaking with the individuals going through Safe Passage and this has been a big help.

REPLACE SCBA CYLINDERS WITH CITY/FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FUNDS

Chief Crews advised that the SCBA Cylinders will become obsolete at the end of October 2019. He had applied for a grant to be used for them, but at this time has not received it. He did receive a grant to be used for training. He presented the Committee with prices of cost for 15-year cylinders and 30-year cylinders. There is a \$7,000.00 difference and he is recommending the 30-year cylinder.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to allow Fire Chief Crews to purchase 32 SCBA cylinders from MES Municipal Emergency Services, with the Fire Protection District contributing \$18,300.00 and the City's portion \$19,030.00. Motion carried 3-0.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Total Calls-130
- Business Inspections- 11
- Toured the Kincaid Energy Plant with Hazardous Materials Team
- Issues continue with nuisance calls
- Harvest season will bring numerous calls for service
- Have had severe weather presentations at the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Training Summit and Kiwanis
- Had a school resource meeting with Taylorville School district officials, they will be having a tactical drill at the schools
- Firefighter Holmes is working on establishing a team for the Scott Firefighter Challenge
- Firefighter Carls working on an IT report for the Department to modernize operations

A second meeting with the hazardous Mitigation Planning Team was held on September 10, 2019. Discussions centered on the results of the principle hazards for Christian County. There are nine communities working together on a Mitigation Plan. He stated the report will be approximately 100 pages when complete. They have the capabilities to track weather patterns all the way back to 1950. The doppler systems in place are more accurate than in the past to help track dangerous weather.

A Mitigation Plan must be in place to apply for Federal Grants that could be used for things such as buildings to be built in areas throughout the area for residents in case of emergencies in areas such as close to mobile home parks. Chief Crews described hazards such as the tornado, mine subsidence, as there are a lot of underground mines in this area, active shooter, and dam failure.

The Police and Fire Departments will be hosting Trick or Treaters again this year at the Fire Station. Alderman Budd feels this is a wonderful event for the community and was well attended last year.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

This was Chief Crews last Emergency Services Committee Meeting; he will be retiring October 23, 2019. Chief Crews stated it has been a great privilege working for the City.

The Committee thanked him for his service to the Community and again thanked him for the excellent job he and his Department did during the tornado. Chief Crews stated that he had a great team. Chairman Driskell feels he has laid a great foundation for the Department.

Alderman Olive is a past Volunteer Firefighter. He told Chief Crews that he has watched the Fire Department for a number of years and under his leadership the Department has really grown. He thanked him for his leadership during the disaster, stating it was flawless and the City is indebted to him. Deputy Chief Childers advised that the State has classes on natural disasters and State Officers are using Chief Crews model to train.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Olive to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES November 7, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Driskell Alderman Olive Alderman Lanzotti Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

- Mayor Barry Police Chief Wheeler Deputy Chief Childers Fire Chief Adermann Alderman Budd Alderman Lanzotti Alderman Olive
- Owen Lasswell Shirley Sams Matthew Phillips Jon Wamsley Robert Steiner Robert Besson

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

TORNADO SIREN UPDATE

The tornado siren located at Boyd Dappert was relocated. Morrison Electric and Shelby Electric will be doing the electrical work, it will be back in working order within the next two weeks. There is a circuit board out on Siren #8 located at North Webster; it has sound but does not spin. Firefighter Ron Holmes is training with Fire Chief Adermann to do repairs on the sirens.

HVAC REPAIRS

Fire Chief Adermann gave an update on the HVAC Repairs that have been previously approved.

TANKER 1 REPAIRS

The Committee was presented a list of repairs needed for Tanker 1, which was included in the budget. Firefighter Jonathan Wamsley advised that some issues are more important than others. There is a problem with a siren and there are metal shavings under the pump. He will not know the cost of these repairs until it can be taken apart. If either of these repairs cost more than anticipated one of the repairs can be cut. For example there are some lights bulbs that need repaired, but if necessary, they could replace the bulbs later as there are still plenty of other lights that are operating. Tanker 1 is always pushed to the back burner. He has been trying to get these repairs done for three years.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to allow Fire Chief Adermann to contact Fire Apparatus & Supply Team (FAST) for repair to Tanker 1 at a cost not to exceed \$5,035.00. Motion carried 4-0.

FIRE STATION ROOF

Fire Chief Adermann had been waiting for the final quote for repairs to the Fire Station roof. There was discussion regarding what funds were going to be used for the roof repairs. Some members of the Committee recommended doing all repairs using funds from the brick escrow account. Alderman Budd, Chairman of Finance Committee, advised that funds from that account should only be used to do repair work on the bricks.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to allow Fire Chief Adermann to contact Henson Robinson Company for repairs to the Fire Station roof at a cost of \$16,330.00 using funds from the maintenance line item, and Western Specialty Contractors for repairs on the bricks at a cost of \$2,975.00 using funds from the Brick Escrow Account. Motion carried 4-0.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service- 136
- Training- Truck 1/Ladder Training
- SCBA Training
- Tourniquet Application
- Triage Tags
- October 23rd met with school district officials to discuss active threat table top exercise

- SCBA Cylinders were ordered and should arrive by December
- Reimbursements have been paid for Firefighter Chausse and Firefighter Price. These funds will be used to offset costs incurred with new hires, the new hires should be here by December.
- There were no CPR classes taught in October; due to Fire Prevention Month.

FIRE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES

- School Fire Drills Performed
- 286 Children attended the annual firehouse tours
- Participated in Chilifest with a kid's firefighter challenge
- TPD and TFD Monster Halloween Bash was a success over 200 hotdogs served and a ton of candy
- Taught OSHA Fire Safety to staff at CCMH Workshop
- Visited St. Mary's, Trinity Lutheran, and CEFS schools which included 90 children

Employees of the Library assisted the Fire Department with crafts for the children.

TAXI CAB LICENSE FEES AND PROCEDURES

Police Chief Wheeler and Deputy Chief Childers were asked questions regarding what is required to obtain a taxi cab license and what type of information the Police Department checks, such as driver's license, accident history, criminal background etc. After discussion, the Committee asked Alderman Bryant to forward taxi cab license procedures on her next Ordinance Committee Agenda for review.

There are three taxi cab companies in town. No one should be driving a taxi cab if they do not have a taxi cab license. The Code Book states that the Mayor can pull a company's license, but Alderman Olive recommends having that changed from the Mayor to the Police Department. Another suggestion was to make the owners of the company responsible for their drivers if they are driving without a driver's license, taxi cab license, etc.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to direct City Attorney Romano to draft an Ordinance to increase the fee for Taxi Cab Licenses to \$100.00 and continue background checks. Motion carried 4-0.

USDA GRANTS-VEHICLES

Chief Wheeler discussed the USDA Grants available for rural area capital improvements, including Police vehicles. If the Department is chosen to receive a grant, the City would pay full price for the vehicle then they would be reimbursed 55% up to \$80,000.00. He recommends purchasing turn key vehicles. He has contacted Landmark locally to inquire if they can provide turn key and will buy locally if they can provide vehicles outfitted with all equipment. He will apply for one vehicle now, if receives grant, the City can try for another at a later date. There are no costs to the City to apply for the grants, and Chief Wheeler is familiar with the process as he has applied for grants in other communities.

He asked the Department Officers for their opinions on what type of vehicles to purchase. Their first choice was an all-wheel drive V-8 Dodge Charger. In the past, the Department had a whole fleet of Chargers and they had a lot of problems. Chief Wheeler advised that they are better now. Deputy Chief Childers stated that the problem with the Chargers was that five vehicles ran 24/7 causing trouble with brakes. Alderman Driskell recommended purchasing a SUV, as she thinks it would be more functional.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service- 1552
- Department busy with patrolling and crime prevention initiatives
- Officer Bollinger working on several projects for Community engagement
- Citizens are continuing to work with the Department in troubled areas
- Officer Nichols is doing well at the Academy with an average test score of 97%.
- Officer Ponzel attended Field Training Officer School
- Officers Alwerdt, Thomson and Dickey attended Drug School
- Officer Bolinger attended Basic Swat School for Elder Abuse

• Safe Passage helped 43 individuals since July

Police Chief Wheeler provided the Committee with the Monthly Activity by Classification Report. Also provided were Traffic Citations by Officer Report and Arrests by Officer report comparing 2018/2019 totals.

The testing for the new applicants will be at the Taylorville Fire Department this coming weekend. They will begin with orientation then directly after will be the power test that consists of running, bench press and a run at the High School track.

Chief Wheeler presented the Committee with a picture of the training room; it is 90 percent complete and was funded from the Asset Drug Forfeiture Fund.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Alderman Budd and Alderman Bryant advised that due to scheduling conflicts, they can not have the Finance and Ordinance Committee Meeting on the regular scheduled date. After discussion, they asked to move their meeting to Monday, November 25, 2019 at 5:00 P. M.

Alderman Budd asked if there could be Officers present if needed at the Gagne Building on Saturday, November 9, 2019 from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. The building will be open to anyone who wants to get items left from the tornado recovery donations. He is expecting a large turnout.

Robert Steiner and Robert Besson were in attendance representing the Board of Fire and Police Commission regarding the Paramedic requirement for the Fire Department Testing. Mr. Steiner advised that it has been difficult maintaining a list of new hires for the Fire Department because of the regulations implemented for Paramedics. Per the Fire Fighter Union Contract, the Department is to have a required number of firefighters. They do not have the number of applicants they use to have and it has become very frustrating with all the turnovers in the Department. Former Fire Chief Crews had asked for that requirement in the beginning to save the City money. Mr. Steiner and Chief Adermann agree they would have more candidates, and perhaps local candidates, if the requirement to be a Paramedic was dropped. Mayor Barry is in favor of the candidates having Paramedic training, and suggested that the candidates have a two-year period to obtain the license.

There was also discussion giving local candidates extra test points. Chief Adermann had no objections, but does not want to discourage hiring out of town candidates, as he was an out of town candidate. There was discussion on whether or not it can be changed or if it would have to be negotiated. Alderman Driskell, Fire Chief Adermann, and the Mayor will discuss and research what can be done.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman Emergency Services Committee

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Driskell Alderman Olive Alderman Lanzotti Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry Police Chief Wheeler Deputy Chief Childers Fire Chief Adermann Alderman Budd Chris Doherty

Owen Lasswell Shirley Sams

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

DRONE PURCHASE FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Wheeler explained the advantages of the Department getting a drone. The drone is a safety tool; if chasing someone on foot into the timber it has thermal imaging and a spot light. Officer Nate Thompson will be attending classes; there are a lot of case laws to learn. Chief Wheeler presented quotes, and advised there is a warranty that would cover 2 times if totaled; there is a \$200.00 deductible for 1st year full coverage and 2nd year \$300 deductible full coverage.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to approve the purchase of one Mavic 2 Enterprise Dual Aircraft from Company Fire Cam, Bellevue, IL at a cost of \$4,990.00 (\$4,766.00 for Aircraft and \$224.00 for training). Motion carried 4-0.

PURCHASE OF NEW SQUAD CAR-USDA PROGRAM

Chief Wheeler applied for a USDA Grant which will cover 55% of the total cost of a new car including equipment. He was working with a local dealership, but they were not able to provide a turn key car. The Committee asked if the car could be purchased locally then send out to get equipped. It would cost a great deal more to buy the car locally then have to send to get fully equipped. The dealership he is recommending has ordered 400 vehicles and is able to sell the vehicles at a lower cost.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to approve the purchase of one turn key 2020 Dodge Charger from John Jones Pursuit Vehicles at a cost not to exceed \$37,978.00. Motion carried 4-0.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

School Superintendent, Dr. Chris Dougherty was present to discuss the need of a second School Resource Officer; Officer Thomas has been a wonderful asset. Officer Thomas currently is based at the High School but goes to the other schools on a rotating basis. The District is in the process of a strategic planning program and is requesting a second School Resource Officer for the Taylorville Jr. High. They are applying for grants to help cover the expenses but are proceeding with including this position in the budget. The school will pay 75% of salary and benefits. If approved, this person would not start until next school year. The Department currently has a total of 21 including the Police Chief and Deputy Police Chief and the new Officer who has just completed training. With the approval of another Officer the Department would have 22; Mayor Barry stated there were 22 when he was elected.

The Committee asked if the Department had the manpower to cover a second Officer for the schools. Chief Wheeler advised a new Police Officer in training will begin December 19, 2019 and the Board of Fire and Police Commission is in the process of establishing a new eligibility list to hire from.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to direct Mayor Barry to send a letter to the Board of Police and Fire Commission to hire a new Police Officer. Motion carried 4-0.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service-1,420
- Police Officer Testing- 6 Applicants
- Police Officers have attended several speaker meetings and several are scheduled for this month
- Will be doing classroom speaking in regards to vaping and drugs starting in January
- The Department is having two self defense classes at the Fire Station on Saturday, December 7, 2019
- The classes have filled up very quickly. They will be having the classes quarterly
- Having the Shop with a Cop Program- have received donations to help
- Traffic citations down this month due to focusing on problem areas; residents are helping the Department and several drug arrests have been made.
- Cards for Troops in December

Safe Passage is going well, Chief Wheeler advised a \$3,000.00 Grant was approved and the program will receive funds mid-January. There is a fund raiser for Safe Passage scheduled on December 14, 2019 at the Moose from 4:00-10:00 P.M.

Police Chief Wheeler provided the Committee with the Monthly Activity by Classification Report. Also provided were Traffic Citations by Officer Report and Arrests by Officer report comparing 2018/2019 totals.

CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT PLAN

Fire Chief Adermann discussed the Continuity of Government Plan. Former Fire Chief Crews had asked that he proceed with getting this plan in place. He has made a couple of amendments and advised there has to be someone to make decisions if the Mayor was unavailable due to absence, injury or death, which would be only during the duration of a locally declared emergency.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to direct Mayor Barry to appoint a person as Mayor Pro-tem for the Continuity of Government Plan. Motion carried 4-0.

PURCHASE OF TURNOUT GEAR

Chief Adermann discussed the need for new turnout gear. The Foreign Fire Tax Board and the Taylorville Fire Protection District have both contributed funds to be used towards this purchase.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to approve the purchase of 6 sets of turnout gear for the Fire Department from Mac's Fire & Safety, Inc. at a cost not to exceed \$12,192.00. Motion carried 4-0.

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION/RIDE-ALONG PROGRAM

Chief Adermann advised the volunteer applications and ride-along program are actually one issue. He is requesting to begin an apprenticeship. The State is passing a law for Apprentice Fire Fighters. If there is someone that has been a volunteer for a period of time, it would be an apprenticeship which would qualify them to obtain extra points toward getting hired. Chief Adermann stated there are already by-laws for Volunteer Firefighters in place and he has drafted an application for the Volunteer Firefighter Ride-Along Program.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- OSFM Inspector will allow our inspectors to accompany him on inspections
- School inspections are set for January
- Discussed Christmas Fire Safety with residents at Davis Memorial Christian Church
- The tornado siren at Boyd Dappert is still not working, there is no sound and limited rotation.
- Four New Hires will begin on December 9, 2019 with swearing in on December 16, 2019

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Vance Jefferies family gave the Fire Department a donation in memory of Vance; the money was given to the Volunteer Firefighters to decide what to purchase.

Chief Adermann presented a picture of a memorial at the Fire Station that will have Mr. Jefferies name engraved.

Chief Adermann advised there is a Pre-Construction meeting for the new Fire Truck in Wisconsin December 11-13, 2019. The Fire Protection District is paying to send six to attend. Alderman Olive advised he would like to attend, and Fire Chief Adermann will be contacting Dave Oldham to attend also.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman Emergency Services Committee