

EMERGENCY SERVICES

January 2, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Driskell
Alderman Olive
Alderman Lanzotti
Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Police Chief Wheeler
Deputy Chief Childers
Fire Chief Adermann
Treasurer Nation
Alderman Budd
Chris Doherty -School Supt.
Firefighter Rogers

Owen Lasswell
Shirley Sams
Rick Bryan
Alderman Skultety
Alderman Burtle
Kellie Hamell
Mike Mann
Firefighter Zepin
Police Officer Mills

Chairman Driskell called the meeting to order at 6:45 P.M.

BODY CAMERAS FOR OFFICERS

Chief Wheeler advised the need to purchase body worn cameras for the Police Department. The Department responds to 18,000 calls for service per year. The camera would not be operating all of the time. They would be on during interaction with the public in cases such as traffic stops etc. The Chief and Deputy Chief would know when cameras were in operation. There are some instances that the camera can not be used, such in hospitals due to HIPPA laws. Cameras are very important in court cases; copies are sent to the States Attorney, as well as keep a copy for the Department in case the server would go down. The cameras also provide security for the Officers as well.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to allow Chief Wheeler to purchase 8 body cameras which include HD recordings, camera mounts, docking stations, charging base, transfer station to download to current server, and a one-year warranty and licenses for all officers from Watch Guard at a cost of \$13,562.00. Motion carried 4-0.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

There were two Officers that applied for the SRO position. Police Chief Wheeler is recommending that a panel be formed which would include himself, Deputy Chief Childers, the Mayor, an Alderman, and School Board Officials to interview the two candidates. School Superintendent, Dr. Chris Dougherty, and School Board Member Rick Bryant were present to discuss the position. Chief Wheeler advised that the school district will be paying 75% of the salary. Superintendent Dougherty further explained that the school would pay 75% for the time frame when they are working for the school. Treasurer Nation then asked if the Officer would return to the Department when school is not in session; she advised they would. Mayor Barry will contact School Superintendent Doherty to schedule a time for the interviews.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service-1322
- Police Officer Matt Nichols graduated from the Police Training Institute on December 19th. He passed the State exam and is full time certified in the State of Illinois. Officer Nichols is currently on day shift with Officer Withrow training.
- Two Officers applied for the SRO Position
- Put a list up to have two trained crime scene investigators on call only; training is free through MTU. This will allow the department to build stronger cases and to solve more thefts and burglaries.
- Officer of the 4th quarter is K9 Officer Jeremy Alwerdt for his dedication and hard work
- Working with Officers on 2020 Community Engagement Projects
- Self Defense Classes were held with Officer Withrow and Sargent Toberman; these classes will be offered quarterly
- The Shop with a Cop Program was very successful

Chief Wheeler will be honoring Police Officer Bolinger at the January 6, 2020 City Council Meeting for her dedication and community policing.

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.

MEMBERS AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

Fire Chief Adermann presented the Committee with a Member Responsibility List. Each person selected the area they would take responsibility for in the Fire Department.

ISO PLAN

Chief Adermann gave a brief summary of how the ISO rate is determined. The ISO is a rate given to the Fire Department based on 4 key factors, Emergency Communications, Fire Department, Water Supply, and Divergence. He explained the Department is currently a 4, but are only a few points from being a 3. The ISO rate is a factor in determining insurance rates. The lower the number equates to lower premiums.

RETENTION PLAN

Chief Adermann discussed some changes he would like to make in the hiring process. He is recommending the requirement of being a Paramedic upon hiring be removed, as it narrows the field of applicants. The Board of Fire and Police Commissions is aware of this. The new hires will go to training after hire. He also recommends giving emphasis to local residents. Since 2005, there have been 13 hired that were not City residents and only 2 have remained in the department; there were 7 City residents hired and all have remained. Since the Paramedic Requirement was added, 10 Firefighters were hired with 4 remaining. One of our new Firefighters is leaving; a position became open in his hometown. If they implement residents getting extra points there would still be some hired from out of town.

Chief Adermann presented the Committee with his recommendations to help with the retention problem stating some of the areas are contractual items, but he wants to do more promoting for the Fire Department such as Informational Town Hall Meetings. In the Spring, he would like to go to the schools to talk to the students about pursuing a career as a Firefighter and promote volunteering as a way for them to experience what a Firefighter does. He would like to explore an apprenticeship program.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Total Calls-135
- Total Calls for 2019- 1,666
- Training- Engine Company Operations, Ladders, Hose Deployment, SCBA, Active Shooter and Investigation Training
- Gave an update on the Boyd Dappert Siren
- Installed 6 car seats in December
- There were no CPR Classes with all the Christmas activities, Cody Rogers and Nick Zepin were in charge of the Angel Tree and did a great job. 150 children were helped to have a Merry Christmas!
- Went to a Pre-Construction meeting for the new Fire Truck in Wisconsin; the new Fire Engine will be built by September
- Will be out of the office Monday, January 6th to Thursday, January 9, 2020

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES

February 6, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Driskell
Alderman Olive
Alderman Lanzotti

MEMBERS ABSENT

Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Police Chief Wheeler
Deputy Chief Childers
Fire Chief Adermann
Treasurer Nation
Alderman Budd

Owen Lasswell
Shirley Sams
Bill Jones
Geoffrey Ortman
Mike Mann
Andrea Conrath
Bart Bialas

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

STATE FIRE MARSHALL GRANT

Fire Chief Adermann discussed the State Fire Marshall Grant; the deadline is February 28, 2020 to apply. The grant is 100%. The grant amount ranges between \$12,000.00-\$25,000.00. If awarded, he plans to order portable radios and SCBA facemasks.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to allow Fire Chief Adermann to apply for the State Fire Marshall Grant. Motion carried 3-0.

TANKER REPAIR UPDATE

Chief Adermann updated the Committee on the tanker repairs. The repairs were approved previously at an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00. At that time, he explained they would not know the actual cost or the extent of damage to the pump until the tanker could be taken apart. One of the repairs that was estimated to cost approximately \$2,000.00 actually cost very little, but the cost of repairing the pump was \$5,000.00 alone. The cost is going to be approximately \$2,000.00 higher than expected; there is money in the budget if needed but he is checking with the Foreign Fire Tax Board to see if they could cover the additional costs.

NEW HIRE UPDATE

The Police and Fire Commission started the hiring process. They are currently doing background checks; the goal is to have someone hired by March. The Committee asked if the City has been reimbursed for the latest new hire leaving. Chief Adermann advised he was just billed on Monday for a badge, helmet shield and name tag; his uniform had not even been opened yet and happened to fit the new hire.

SPILLER PAY/BILLING INFORMATION

The City has an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the City of Charleston for the billing of the Taylorville Fire Department services. It is about to expire. It was for a three-year period commencing on May 1, 2017 and ending April 30, 2020. Chief Adermann presented everyone with a copy of the agreement and the rates charged stating in the future the fees may have to be reviewed and asked that this issue be forwarded to the Ordinance Committee.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to forward the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the City of Charleston for billing for the Taylorville Fire Department services to the Ordinance Committee for review. Motion carried 3-0.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service- 140
- Responded to two water rescue calls; one individual involved in the accident came to the station to thank the Fire Department members for their assistance.
- Cody Rogers, recently promoted to Assistant Fire Chief, and Nick Hackney and Matthew Peters who were both promoted to Captains are all doing a good job
- All shifts have toured the new portion of the hospital

- There were 7 Car seats installed
- Currently working on needs assessment for AFG grant
- Monthly CPR/AED training was provided to the community with 4 citizens attending

Chief Adermann gave a brief update of the January Public Education prepared by Firefighter Zepin. During the month of February, they will be hosting “Remember When” a fire and fall prevention presentation for Christian County TRIAD. There was a welcome home escort for Rogan Donoho, a 9-year-old Taylorville native diagnosed with a rare brain cancer. Many businesses and citizens lined the street to welcome him.

The 2000 Jeep needs repairs. Firefighter Stoner worked on the wiring but a mechanic will need to be called for an oil leak. This vehicle currently has 90,000 miles. When it is repaired, Assistant Fire Chief Rogers will be driving it. Mayor Barry asked who would be driving the vehicle the past Assistant Fire Chief drove. Chief Adermann stated it is a F350 one-ton pickup and feels it is too big to drive around daily; it will be kept at the station.

The Committee suggested that he check with Chief Wheeler, who recently applied for a USDA Grant to purchase a squad car, to inquire if they may have anything available to help the Fire Department with a new vehicle. There is a possibility the Foreign Fire Tax District would help finance a new vehicle.

POLICE DEPARTMENT 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

Police Chief Wheeler had emailed everyone the 2019 Police Department Annual Report. The report provides a summary of the operations and accomplishments of the Taylorville Police Department. He advised the Department and the CAT team are doing a great job. The Department continues to have great support from the residents.

POLICE DEPARTMENT GOALS FOR 2020

Police Chief Wheeler discussed goals for 2020. He wants to expand social media; there are currently 5,400 followers on Face book. Officer Bollinger is doing a great job with community relations.

POLICE OFFICER EVALUATIONS

Police Chief Wheeler and Deputy Chief Childers will be conducting evaluations on the entire Police Department every six months.

POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT

- Met with the Fire and Police Commission; there are three candidates on the list, and they are doing background checks
- Police Officer Dickey chose not to proceed with interviewing for the second School Resource Officer Position; they will proceed with interviewing Officer Mills.
- Body cameras will be up and running next week; policy is in place. The total cost of cameras is \$13,387.00. \$10,760.00 will be covered by the City’s Safety Grant, with the City being responsible for \$2,627.00.
- IDOT Grant awarded for April 2020 for \$5345.28 to be used for distracted driving such as texting
- Meth arrests have increased greatly compared to January 2019.
- Safe Passage has hit 70 and they are doing well with funding

ANY OTHER MATTERS

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 2019/2020 totals. The Committee stated Officer Mills will be missed if he becomes the School Resource Officer; he issues the most traffic citations.

The Department had their first Neighborhood Watch meeting, with a good turnout. The Department has made more meth arrests.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES

March 5, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Driskell
Alderman Olive
Alderman Lanzotti
Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

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

Superintendent Mann
Owen Lasswell
Shirley Sams

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

LICENSE PLATE READERS DISCUSSION

Chief Wheeler discussed License Plate Readers. In the future he will be requesting two; one would be used in the new patrol car if awarded through the USDA Grant. The reader sets off an alarm when it passes a vehicle if the driver has a warrant it also takes pictures of the vehicle. Chief Wheeler is researching to see if there are any grants available to purchase the readers, as the costs range from \$1,000.00-\$6,000.00.

TASK FORCE OFFICER ASSIGNMENT

Chief Wheeler informed the Committee the City Task Force Officer with the State Police Task Force is now going to be with the U.S. Marshall Task Force.

DISCUSS NEW POLICE OFFICER

Chief Wheeler met with the Board of Fire and Police Commission to discuss the new hire for the Department. The first applicant did not pass; the second applicant will be hired upon a successful medical, psychological test and polygraph.

GRANTS

The Department was awarded a grant from I.D.O.T. for \$5,345.28 for April and \$19,376.64 for all upcoming holidays for traffic enforcement. This grant is for distracted driving such as cell phones.

COPS HIRING GRANT

Chief Wheeler will be looking into applying for a COPS Hiring Program Grant. The grant pays 75% of the approved entry-level salaries and fringe benefits of each newly hired and/or rehired full-time officer (if laid off as a result of budget reductions), up to \$125,000 per officer position over a three-year grant period. After the three-year period, the City would be 100% responsible.

The Department is currently down one Officer due to an injury, which is going to cost \$5,000.00 in overtime. Deputy Chief Childers stated if anyone else would be off due to injury or vacation it is going to cost in overtime. He informed the Committee it takes nine months before the new hire can be counted on staffing. The Police Department is currently in negotiations. The Officers are asking for 12-hour shifts, which will help with the overtime issue.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- New School Resource Officer is Alan Mills
- Body Cameras are up and running
- Officer Bollinger now has Taylorville set up on Instagram
- Big R wants to sponsor Fingerprinting for Safety Day on March 14th
- Provided the Monthly Activity by Classification Report. Also provided were Traffic Citations by Officer Report and Arrests by Officer Report comparing 2019/2020 totals.

- Have been given several cell phones for a 911 Cell Phone Bank
- Safe Passage is up to 80

Chief Wheeler has been asked to have another Town Meeting; Mayor Barry recommended waiting until possibly April as he is busy with the census.

Safe Passage is having a fundraiser. Selling Krispy Kreme doughnuts. For pre-sales contact Denise Evans, Coordinator at Municipal Building.

OSHA RESPIRATORY QUOTE

Fire Chief Adermann presented the Committee with OSHA Respirator Mandates. He received quotes from HSHS Medical Group for the following:

Mandatory Questionnaire	\$29.00/person
Pulmonary Fitness Test	\$35.00/person
Respirator Clearance Physical	\$72.00/person

The Safety Committee has allotted \$3,128.00, but he may exceed that amount depending on how many tests each person will have to take. Chairman Driskell asked how many need to have tests. Chief Adermann advised all except the three new Firefighter's and one new volunteer.

PURCHASE FIRE HOSE

Chief Adermann needs to purchase new fire hoses. He is going to check with the Fire Protection District first to see if they could help with this purchase. He plans to order 8 sections of 3" hose which costs \$195 a section and 8 sections of 1 3/4" hose which costs \$95.00 a section.

JEEP ESTIMATE/REPLACEMENT

Chief Adermann provided the Committee with information regarding the cost to repair the 2000 Jeep (\$2,217.07) and the cost of a new vehicle. The Kelly Blue Book Value for a trade-in is \$1,678.00, private party value is \$2,880.00. The new vehicle would be utilized primarily by Assistant Fire Chief Rogers and used for the firefighters to go to classes. The F350 one-ton pickup which was the Assistant Fire Chief vehicle will be kept at the station. They have used this vehicle for classes and has been used recently to carry large equipment to assist on calls.

He provided a list of six vehicles; five which are local and one out of town which is a State Bid Pre-wired vehicle. The prices ranged from \$27,595.00-\$39,981.00 which included 2- Durango, 1-Tahoe, 1- Explorer and 2-Pickups. When asked if there were funds left in his budget, he advised there was \$99,274.54 in that budget line item.

Alderman Budd, Finance Chairman, recommends getting a loan to purchase due to low interest rates. He advised Chief Adermann to discuss the purchase of a new vehicle with City Treasurer Nation. Chairman Driskell asked Chief Adermann to get more prices and information on what vehicle he thought would best fit the Department. This will be discussed at next month's meeting.

SELLING OF JON BOAT

The Department has a Jon Boat that Chief Adermann would like to sell it. The motor is in great shape; he is unsure of the age of boat and trailer. He was informed any property sold by the City has to have an Ordinance to sell Mayor Barry would rather use as a trade in on a new vehicle.

AFG GRANT

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to allow Fire Chief Adermann to apply for the AFG Grant. Motion carried 4-0.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service- 154
- Training Topics- SCBA Emergencies, Hose Advancement, Firefighter Rescue, Hypothermia and Forcibly Entry.

- The tornado sirens didn't go off during the Tuesday testing, siren is working it was a computer Software issue.
- Gave a TRIAD Presentation- gave a Fire and Fall Prevention Class to Seniors. Offered home fire safety Assessments and educated on new smoke alarm plan for 2023.
- Billed 5 ambulance transports and 4 spiller MVA charges.
- Working on new locking procedures at the Fire Department

Chief Adermann advised the most important precaution regarding the Coronavirus is to practice good hygiene- wash hands, cover face when coughing, and treat like the flu.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Finance Chairman Budd advised the budgets have to be addressed.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES

May 7, 2020

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

Owen Lasswell
Tammy Rogers
Traci Bentley

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

SELLING OF FIRE VEHICLES

Fire Chief Adermann advised the Committee the new engine should arrive by mid to late June. Chief Adermann would like to get the process started to bid out engine #4 along with the Jeep and jon boat.

SAFER GRANT

Fire Chief Adermann informed the Committee that the Safer Grant is due by May 15, 2020 and is ready to be submitted. This grant includes 75% salary and benefits for two years for two Firefighters.

JEEP REPLACEMENT

Foreign Fire has agreed to purchase a Jeep for the Taylorville Fire Department. The City may need to secure a loan for the vehicle but Foreign Fire would make the payments. The earliest a loan would be needed would be September.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for service- 122
- Assistant Chief Rogers has been participating in zoom classes with the schools.
- New hire starts May 18, 2020
- Chief Adermann has applied for the AFG-S Grant. If the grant is approved it would cover costs of personal protective equipment (PPE) incurred during the Covid crisis until May 15th. The City's share would be \$50.00.
- Chief Adermann is working on bringing training into Taylorville by holding training classes at Taylorville Fire Department. One class is already scheduled for December.
- Taylorville Fire Department is organizing a buy local give back event

POLICE GRANT

Police Chief Wheeler informed the Committee that he is going to be applying for several grants.

OVERTIME CHANGES

Police Chief Wheeler advised the Department is taking necessary steps to eliminate unneeded overtime.

POLICE VEHICLE

Taylorville Police Department has been approved for a \$20,000.00 grant for the purchase of a police vehicle. This vehicle will be ready in a few weeks.

COVID-19

Police Chief Wheeler advised all Officers are wearing masks while on duty and out of the police vehicle. All Officers have remained healthy.

12 HOUR SHIFTS

Police Chief Wheeler advised 12 hour shifts will start May 12, 2020. This schedule is set to have four groups of Officers per shift.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHARTS

Police Chief Wheeler advised they are utilizing organizational charts to make the department run smoother. Officers will need to be inside the building at the beginning of each shift for roll call.

PROMOTIONAL EXAM

Police Chief Wheeler advised the Committee that six Officers have signed up to take the Sergeants exam. The exam will be taken with a proctor present. After the exam will be an oral interview. Police Commission will then make a list, then the positions can be filled.

Deputy Chief Childers requested the Ordinance for Lieutenant to be changed as this is now going to be a union position and the number of years served is going to change from three years to six years. Also the number of years served for Sergeants will change from four years to three years. This will be forwarded to the Ordinance Committee for review.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for service - 1389
- New hire academy start date has been moved to June 14th.
- Online police reporting is going well.
- Sergeant Toberman will be appointed to Lieutenant once changes are made to the current Ordinance.
- Chief Wheeler had a 2013 Ford Focus from the Department outfitted and it is now ready for police use. This was paid by Asset Forfeiture.
- There are 14 cameras not in use that can be sold.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES

June 8, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Driskell
Alderman Olive
Alderman Lanzotti
Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Police Chief Wheeler
Deputy Chief Childers
Fire Chief Adermann
Treasurer Nation
Alderman Budd
Alderman Burtle

Christian Nelson
Kirsten Nelson
Andrea Conrath
Tammy Rogers
Shirley Sams

Chairman Driskell called the meeting to order at 6:48 P.M.

LATERAL HIRING

Chief Wheeler has advertised for a lateral entry position for the Police Department. Application deadline is June 30, 2020. He has received applications from Springfield, Sherman and a Railroad employee.

SERGEANT TESTING

The Sergeant testing will be June 20, 2020 at 10:00 A.M. at the Fire House. Robert Besson will be the proctor present during the written exam. There will also be an oral interview and merit points. Six Officers have signed up to take the Sergeants exam. The Board of Fire and Police Commission will then make the list.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Detective Thomason is planning to retire soon and Officer Nate Thompson is taking a lateral transfer to Washington, Illinois.
- There have been no complaints in the City for business to reopen.
- The 12-hour shifts are going very well.
- Three TPD Officers have been nominated for Officer of the Year.
- The Safe Passage Program is going well.
- Training is on hold due to COVID 19, but there has been online training completed.

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 2019/2020 totals. There have been several aggravated assaults. With the COVID 19, tensions are up, but thefts and traffic citations are down.

Chief Wheeler was asked how many distracted driving citations were issued. The Department had received a grant from I.D.O.T. for the month of April and upcoming holiday traffic enforcement. He advised with COVID 19, they only did it for 1 week, but the Department gets to keep the funds they received. The Department will still receive the additional \$19,000.00 from the Grant.

There was a search warrant issued; two individuals were arrested and the DEA is involved. He advised the two minors that were hospitalized from drugs are doing well.

The Department is trying to help kids on their birthdays, they are going to start a Juice Box Operation with Children. The juice boxes were donated to the Department.

Alderman Driskell thanked Chief Wheeler and the entire workforce for the way they handled the peaceful protest stating he made a gracious host for the City of Taylorville which made national news on CNN. Deputy Chief Childers agreed stating he did everything right.

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN

Fire Chief Adermann advised he needs some clarification on the proper procedure to acquire Volunteer Firemen. Mayor Barry asked if he does background checks and physicals on the applicants; he advised he is. Mayor Barry did not think it would need to come back to Council, but to discuss this with Human Resource Manger Andrea Conrath. Fire Chief Adermann has three new applicants; two are getting physicals. Members of the Committee complimented the Fire Department on the videos they are placing on Facebook. Fire Chief Adermann advised the videos are attracting viewers.

JEEP REPLACEMENT

Fire Chief Adermann advised the jeep has been replaced; the Fire Protection District purchased the new vehicle. Country Financial contacted him about their "Helping Hometown Heroes" program. Any funds from this program will go towards equipment for the new vehicle.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for service- 143
- The Department has over 416-man hours of training.
- A new hire will be sworn in at the June 15, 2020 City Council Meeting.
- Chief Adermann advised The SAFER Grant has changed from covering 75% salary and benefits for two years for two Firefighters to 100% salary and benefits and was extended to three years.
- The Taylorville Fire Protection District is replacing S-1 with a new squad truck at a cost of \$240,000.00
- The acceptance date for the new Fire Engine is June 23-25,2020 in Appleton, WI.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Mayor Barry advised City Clerk Lilly had requested that the Personnel and Emergency Services Committee for July be moved to Wednesday, July 1, 2020 in order to have the minutes included in the July 6, 2020 City Council packets. City Offices are closed on Friday, July 3, 2020 or the 4th of July holiday.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES

July 1, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Driskell
Alderman Olive
Alderman Lanzotti
Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Police Chief Wheeler
Deputy Chief Childers
Fire Chief Adermann
Treasurer Nation
Andrea Conrath

Alderman Budd
Kellie Hamell
Ben Toberman
Shirley Sams
Bill Jones
Matt Whalen AFSCME
Travis Ostermeier

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

PURCHASE OF FIRE HELMETS

Chief Adermann advised after ten years the fire helmets have to be replaced. He needs to replace eight helmets at a cost of \$2,500.00. The company is in the process of testing new helmets. After the Firefighters are active for ten or more years, they can switch to a lighter helmet. He can purchase half now and half later. The Mayor asked if there was a bulk discount if he ordered more. The bulk discount applies to the shipping fees if the order is over fifteen helmets.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to allow Fire Chief Adermann to proceed with the purchase of eight fire helmets at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.00 all at once, or half and half, at his discretion. Motion carried 4-0.

YARD HVAC CONTRACT

Fire Chief Adermann advised last year the Fire Station had major issues with the HVAC system. He is requesting to enter into a preventative maintenance contract on 5-package heating and cooling units and 2-split systems for the Fire Station. He received a proposal from Yard Heating and Cooling at a cost of \$1,278.23. He was asked if he received more than one proposal; he did not as Yards is a Trane dealer. Alderman Olive advised Yard Heating and Cooling service the Municipal Building HVAC system, and if approved, he would recommend contacting George Yard to ask if they could group the two buildings together on one contract with a lower cost. Mayor Barry advised to approve the proposal as is and Alderman Olive will call to inquire if a combined contract for both buildings could be done for less. If the cost is less, the motion can be amended at City Council.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to allow Fire Chief Adermann to enter into a contract with Yard Heating and Cooling for preventative maintenance for a 5-package heating and Cooling units and 2 split systems at a cost not to exceed \$1,278.23, unless a combined contract with the Municipal Building results in a lower cost. Motion carried 4-0.

RADIO PURCHASE

Fire Chief Adermann advised the radio purchase can be tabled; there was a problem with the antenna.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service-129 including 7 fires (5 structure fires, 1 car and 1 cooking)
- Training- The Department has over 416-man hours of training.
- Decon Buckets are being used for decontamination procedures after fires. After the firefighters fight the fire, they will brush off any residue and use wipes and soap and water to wash on location to prevent the transfer of residue into vehicles. This residue has been linked with different forms of cancer.
- TFD is the supply hub for the entire County for PPE in case of another COVID outbreak.
- Firefighter Zepin taught CPR classes with respect to social distancing. He also taught two classes on Blood Borne Pathogens to McLain Foods employees.

- Two volunteer members completed Fire Investigation Training for free through the IFSI; Rick Downing and Jake Blanchetti. They will assist Firefighter Stone with investigations.
- Rick Downing also completed 30 years of service as a Volunteer to the City of Taylorville from 06/23/1990-6/23/2020.

Mayor Barry would like to thank Rick Downing for his years of service and invite him as the Volunteer of the Month on Monday, July 6, 2020

The New Fire Engine is in Washington, Illinois; the engine will be picked up on July 3, 2020. The Department will be training for approximately 2 weeks.

PURCHASE OF NEW 2019 FORD TAURUS

Chief Wheeler and Deputy Chief Childers will be picking up the new Ford Taurus. The City is purchasing the vehicle at a cost of \$37,978.00. After they take possession of the vehicle, they will submit the paperwork to USDA, which will then reimburse the City \$20,000.00; the City's share is \$17,978.00. This vehicle will be used for traffic detail only. Treasurer Nation advised Chief Wheeler had originally asked for approval to purchase a 2020 Dodge Charger. A motion was being made to reflect the change of vehicle.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to reflect the change of vehicle being purchased with the USDA Grant to a 2019 Ford Taurus from Morrow Brothers Ford, Inc. at a cost not to exceed \$37,978.00, not the 2020 Dodge Charger from John Jones Pursuit Vehicles originally approved at the December Emergency Services Committee. Motion carried 4-0.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service-1590
- Thefts down 50%
- Traffic Calls are down due to the Officers working on a large operation that resulted in several arrests for drugs. There is a lot of work that has to be done prior to the operation such as search warrants etc. which involves a lot of paper work. The citizens have been very helpful in cleaning up the community.
- All Officers are up to date on mandated classes.
- Juice Box Operation with children is going well.
- Officer Bolinger has several projects lined up for July and August.
- There were five candidates that have taken the written test for Police Sergeant Positions.

Chief Wheeler advised he advertised for a lateral entry position, and has received several resumes. The Police and Fire Commissioners agreed on lateral hires which saves time and money.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Mayor Barry advised Chief Wheeler and Deputy Chief Childers are the Parade Marshalls for the 4th of July Parade.

Alderman Driskell advised the Committee she and her husband have looked over the bicycles that have been stored at the Water Plant. There were 50 that need cleaned, air in the tires and chains oiled, 30 that need minor repairs and 20 that are just to be junked. The junked bikes will be used for parts to repair the others. After the bikes are repaired, Officer Bolinger will contact the schools to get lists of children that could use them. This will benefit the children by keeping them active.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES

August 6, 2020

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

Mickie Erhardt
Andrea Conrath
Mike Mann
Andy Goodall
Owen Lasswell
Shirley Sams

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

NEW CAD SYSTEM

Police Chief Wheeler discussed purchasing a new CAD System. The County is in the process of building a new CAD and Records Management System and he is recommending the City be included in the new network system. The system is very costly, there are currently five agencies included in the system. The five agencies are all informed of what is going on at the same time which drastically cuts down response time. The system has a GPS system in the vehicles and has a very robust reporting system. He explained if allowed to be included in the network, there would be a five-year contract. The cost is more the first year then declines the following years: Year (1) \$13,000 (2) \$15,000.00 (3) \$8,000.00 (4) \$5,000.00 (5) \$5,000.00. He is recommending to keep one license with mobile sync at a cost of \$570.00 as a back-up. He discussed different ways to fund this project, explaining if the City does not join in the network now, it would cost a lot more money.

Christian County 9-1-1 Director, Mickie Erhardt was present to discuss how the new system will work. There are currently five Police Agencies that are in the system, which connects all the jurisdictions together. There is a GPS system which shows Mickie where everyone is located. They are in the process of building a new network; she would need to know if the City wants to be added within the next 60 days. She advised the ambulance services are also going to be implemented into the system. Fire Chief Adermann advised the Fire Department will be asking to be included as well. Mickie advised 9-1-1 will issue the payment for the system and a Memorandum of Understanding will have to be entered into with each entity.

Chairman Driskell is all for joining the network but this is a bad time financially for the City.

Mickie advised it would be a huge benefit to 9-1-1 to have the City in their system. Finance Chairman Budd asked if she could wait until September to allow time to research funding. She would discuss this with the Board. Andy Goodall, Chairman of the Emergency Telephone Systems Board; advised the system will go live in March. Mayor Barry does not think the City is ready to consolidate dispatch areas at this time but it seems it could happen at some time in the future.

More discussion regarding the CAD system will be forwarded to the September 3, 2020 Emergency Services Committee, which would then be addressed at the Tuesday, September 8, 2020 City Council Meeting.

SRO UPDATE

Officer Bollinger completed her School Resource Officer training in Indiana due to COVID. The school wants the Officers to start on August 17, 2020. The school will still be paying 75% of the two Officers wages, they will return to the work force during school breaks.

GRANT UPDATE

Chief Wheeler presented the Committee with a printout of current and past grant funds received. FY 2019-2020 brought in \$66,835.00. This year he has received \$22,579.16, with \$31,071.54 pending grants and there are more grants he plans to apply for.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service-1531
- Meth continues to be a problem. From June 2018-June 2019 there were 22 arrests, from June 2019-June 2020 there were 112 arrests. The thefts for the same time frame went from 103 arrests to 81.
- August 7, 2020 is Detective Rob Thomason's last day. Officer Christopher Adams has been chosen to be the new detective. Chief Wheeler, Deputy Chief Childers and Evert Nation will fill in until Officer Adams training is complete.
- Officer Jeff Wood was nominated as Officer of the Quarter
- Safe Passage-10
- Community Programs/Policing- Softball game, Juice Box Operation for kids and Clean Up Day

There has been a significant increase in calls concerning the Taylorville City Square. From June 1, 2020-August 3, 2020 there were 69 calls for service, 30 of the calls were attributed to breach of peace issues ranging from noise complaints to aggravated battery fight calls. Deputy Chief Childers advised the Department is monitoring the situation and it will be resolved.

TRUCK 1 MAINTENANCE

Chief Adermann advised he is spacing out the truck maintenance fees. Engine 1 needs to have preventative maintenance done now; he provided the Committee with a listing of the repair costs from Global Emergency Products. They have changed hands and are now McQueen. The estimated cost is \$2,350.00 for Aerial Maintenance, Annual Maintenance of engine, chassis and torque box. Chairman Driskell asked if they should include a not to exceed price in the motion to cover repair work needed. The Committee agreed to not put a specific amount for repairs.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to allow Fire Chief Adermann to proceed with Preventative Maintenance with McQueen and to proceed with any needed repairs on Engine 1. Motion carried 4-0.

KNOX BOX PURCHASES

Fire Chief Adermann advised there are 110 Knox boxes registered in Taylorville, and each is issued a code. There are a few homes that have Knox boxes but all Commercial buildings are required to have a Knox box.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to allow Fire Chief Adermann to purchase two new Knox boxes from Knox at a cost not to exceed \$3,200.00. Motion carried 4-0.

AIR CONDITIONER ISSUES

No action needed, Fire Chief Adermann advised Alderman Olive took care of the problem.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service-135 including 7 fires (5 structure fires, 1 car and 1 cooking)
- Received a FEMA grant for \$880.00 for Hazmat for COVID
- Working on a grant for fire hose
- Currently using a company out of Decatur for collection fees working on switching to a Taylorville based collection agency.
- Had two cardiac arrest saves
- Engine 2 is now in service
- The Department has selected a new patch; the Fire Department was established in 1886. The patches were purchased by the Foreign Fire Tax Board.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Starting in August, the Fire Department will be taking pictures of buildings throughout town. These pictures will be forwarded to the Christian County Sheriff's Office for the upgrade to the new CAD system.

Chief Adermann advised the Department is accepting applications for the Taylorville Fire Department. He presented the Committee with information on how to apply for the Taylorville Fire Department. Orientation will be on September 12, 2020 at 9:00 A.M at the Taylorville Fire Station.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES

September 3, 2020

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

Owen Lasswell
Shirley Sams

Chairman Driskell called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M.

ANNUAL SCBA MAINTENANCE

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to allow Fire Chief Adermann to complete the Annual SCBA Maintenance including maintenance, repairs and fill station, at a cost not to exceed \$5,700.00. Motion carried 4-0.

LIFE SAFETY CODE UPDATE

The State adopted a new Life Safety Code Update; this issue will be forwarded to the Ordinance Committee to have an Ordinance prepared to mirror the State.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for service-169
- 291.5 training hours
- Firefighter Rich Holmes has been deployed
- Two new hires, Eric Dodd and Kobe Wheaton will attend Academy for seven weeks starting next week
- Department is now using Credit Collection Partners. Most uncollected debt is from the Non-Spiller Pay Ordinance.
- Still have funds available for COVID supplies. He is working on with CURES for more information regarding what can be reimbursed.
- One new volunteer Colin Ayers; Nick Millman is in the process; both started as Explorers.
- The Fire Protection District provided the Department with Challenge Coins to be given to those recognized for service to the Community or Department.
- Reviewed Atteberry Subdivision Plat

Fire and Police Testing will be September 12, 2020 at the Fire Station. In the past they have not had many applicants for the Fire Department. The increase in applicants is due to adding the Preference Points, the increase in pay, and the changes made to the residency requirements.

The Administrator for the Christian County Sheriff's Office, Mr. Polley, asked the Department to check the Building to give him recommendations on repairs for life safety codes.

Chief Adermann received complaints of two businesses that had doors locked for customer flow due to COVID. He visited these businesses and advised they could have the doors locked so customers can not enter from outside but the doors have to be set to open from the inside to get out to be accessible for customers to exit in case of fire. He has revisited these businesses and everything was corrected.

The Department responded to a fire in the trailer park. A babysitter was with the children and got everyone out. The family can not stay there; Chief Adermann contacted Red Cross to help the family.

The Department is transporting more patients with COVID. He advised there is a vent system that must run for approximately 40 minutes before anyone can get back in vehicle. Everything is cleaned and disinfected after each run.

NEW HIRES UPDATE

There are three new Police Officers, two of the Officers are women, one is a Paramedic. Chief Wheeler met with each of them. Swearing in will be September 8, 2020. They are coming here from Nokomis, Edinburg and Kincaid. They have one year to move. They have all been through training. Sergeant Withrow, Sergeant Nelson and Officer Ponzel will be the Field Training Officers. The new hires should be on their own between two to four weeks. This has saved the City a lot of money.

DISCUSSION ON DISPATCH COMPUTERS

Police Chief Wheeler advised the need for new computers for the Department. He is researching the cost for replacements. The old are taking a long time to load information. There was discussion regarding the server; there is ample room on the server but there is no backup. Alderman Bryant suggested using Amazon Web Service cloud service and will meet with Chief Wheeler to research if it could be an option for the Department.

NEW CAD SYSTEM

The County is in the process of building a new CAD and Records Management System and Chief Wheeler is recommending the City be included in the new network system. The system has a GPS system in the vehicles and has a very robust reporting system. If allowed to be included in the network, there would be a five-year contract. The cost is more the first year then declines the following years: Year (1) \$13,100 (2) \$15,720.00 (3) \$8,980.00 (4) \$5,840.00 (5) \$5,840.00 **(the exact cost is a little higher than estimates listed last month)**. He is going to keep one license with mobile sync as a back-up.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to allow Police Chief Wheeler to enter into a five-year agreement with Christian County for the new CAD System. Motion carried 4-0.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service-August 2020-1406 August 2019-1616
- Received a \$7,160.00 Grant today for body cameras
- Safe Passage has helped 24 individuals this month, Denise is doing a great job. Denise established new Resources and now has Debbie Prince helping her out.
- There has been a 26% decrease in thefts
- Have collected \$6,000.00 year to date towing fees
- June 2019 to June 2020 there was a 315% increase in drug arrests from 2018-2019.
- The new squad car is back in service

Chief Wheeler presented the Traffic Citation and Arrests by Officers Information to the Committee. He reported residents have made several donations to Safe Passage and to help other people and children in the area. The Owners of Dear Yesteryear brought in a new bike and wagon today. Officer Bolinger has given away several bikes; he thanked Alderman Driskell for her assistance also. The new Officers will be a great help to Officer Bolinger with the Community Projects.

He commended the Department on drug arrests. They had a search warrant and made an arrest at a location in Kincaid that will make a significant difference in the area.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Mayor Barry advised there is now a new designated Enterprise Zone. There was good co-operation from the County Board. This is good news for the City and County for the expansion of business.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.
Meeting adjourned at 7:32 P.M.

Kathy Driskell, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES

October 1, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Driskell
Alderman Olive
Alderman Lanzotti
Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Police Chief Wheeler
Deputy Chief Childers
Fire Chief Adermann

Owen Lasswell
Shirley Sams

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

PURCHASE OF TWO POLICE RADIOS

Chief Wheeler requested to purchase two Police radios for one of the new Police Officers and have one as a spare.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to allow Police Chief Wheeler to purchase two Police radios from Global Technical Systems at a cost not to exceed \$3,100.00, which includes all accessories. Motion carried 4-0.

PURCHASE OF TWO POLICE TASERS

Chief Wheeler requested to purchase two tasers for one of the new Police Officers and have one as a spare.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to allow Police Chief Wheeler to purchase two tasers and four Tactical Performance Power Magazines from Axon Enterprise, Inc. at a cost not to exceed \$ 2,498.00. Motion carried 4-0.

10 SHARED PRINCIPLES

Chief Wheeler discussed "The 10 Shared Principles" which has been recommended by the Illinois Police Chiefs Association. All agencies should adopt this, due to the culture in policing. The NAACP Illinois State Conference and the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police agreed to "The 10 shared Principles" designed to build trust between law enforcement and communities.

This consists of the Mayor and Police Chief signing a board which lists "The 10 Shared Principles". By signing this, the City of Taylorville adopts these principles. Chief Wheeler mentioned several principles, such as not being biased towards anyone, show dignity and respect to others, and that racism will not be allowed. This board would be housed inside the Police Department. The cost of the board was \$37.00, Mayor Barry stated he would cover the cost.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to approve the adoption of the "10 Shared Principles" and direct the Mayor and Police Chief to sign. Motion carried 4-0.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

"The National Night Out" will be at the Taylorville Fairgrounds on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 from 5:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. This event will include the counties of Stonington, Assumption and Edinburg. The Police and Fire Departments will be present. There are several volunteers, including members of Salvage Dogs, to help. There will be games and food. Ron's Produce and Taylorville Food Center have donated food.

GRANTS

The Department received the approval of a grant for \$19,376.64 to \$30,000 for traffic enforcement under project number HS-21-0222. Mr. Wolf from Illinois Department of Transportation will be here October 14, 2020 to assist the Chief with putting together a plan on how to use the funds.

He also applied for a grant for new police technology under 21-0343-99 for \$17,390.00 that has not been approved, but is currently being reviewed.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for Service-September 2020-1355 September 2019-1616
- Collected \$1,000.00 towing fees for the month
- New Lateral Police Officers are doing well. Officer Priddy is on her own, Officer Just will be released on Friday, and Officer Grove will be next week.
- There are Law Publication Books to pass out to the community
- Safe Passage has helped 12 individuals this month
- Planning the Halloween Event

Chief Wheeler presented the Traffic Citation and Arrests by Officers Information to the Committee. He continues to get a lot of support from the community. The Department has had very good arrest numbers this month, including getting Methamphetamine suppliers off the streets.

He presented the Committee with the budget which shows the equipment line item at \$50,246.77 which is 28.71 percent of the budget. The City has received \$26,982.26 in grant money so far this year which is under a different line item. Last year the Department was awarded almost \$80,000.00 in grants.

Police Chief Wheeler advised Dispatch Terminal Two has a hardware failure and the hard drive is giving out per CTL. Dispatch Terminal One has a history of performance related crashes and three other computers are having issues. The Department needs five but are in desperate need of two. The Department is fortunate to have a couple of good tech Officers that build computers. They built the Hard Drive in upstairs room in the Police Department, which is very high quality. The price for each computer to build is \$1,222.57, which is a huge savings from buying a terminal that is complete. This computer issue will be placed on the Monday, October 5, 2020 City Council Agenda.

Jeremy Alwerdt will be invited to the October 5, 2020 City Council Meeting in recognition of receiving Police Officer of the Year; Deputy Chief Childers was second.

TRUCK 1 UPDATE/REPAIR

Fire Chief Adermann informed the Committee that Truck 1 has transmission that was leaking. He had the truck repaired at Rush Truck Center at a cost of \$1,423.44, per previous Council approval.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Calls for service-120
- 27 Public Service Calls
- Training-250.5 Man Hours
- Working on Inspections
- Eric Dodd has received exceptional reports for his physical fitness; both Kobe and Eric are performing above standards.
- There were 25 Firefighter applicants tested; the next step will be interviews set up by the Board of Fire and Police Commission.
- October is Fire Prevention Month. The Department will have virtual visits with schools and videos for home schooling. Kitchen fires/Safety will be addressed for 2020
- ARFF Aircraft Rescue Firefighting- Mt. Vernon Airport Authority came to the Fire Department to teach Aircraft Incidents.

Chief Adermann discussed the CURES Funding, advising the Cure Program has recently been changed. The Department of Treasury has allowed for reimbursement of wages for essential workers for public safety and those who directly support such employees such as dispatchers and supervisory personnel for services provided during the period that begins on March 1, 2020 and ends on December 30, 2020. \$463,932.00 was allocated to Taylorville.

He is submitting a request of \$453,075.35. This will be the first installment for payroll submitted. Requested to date is \$453,075.35, leaving \$7,145.85 to cover City Hall cleaning. He will be discussing a plan for utilization of funds received, such as hazard pay, capital expenses etc.

Chief Adermann presented the Committee with a detailed sheet listing expenses relating to materials purchased for the City he submitted for reimbursement, the City received a check for \$2,189.73.

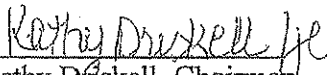
ANY OTHER MATTERS

Mayor Barry asked all Aldermen in attendance to drive by 711 West Poplar to look at a house he is recommending that the City demolish. This will be an item on the October 5, 2020 City Council Agenda.

He also advised there will be a Finance Committee Meeting prior to the City Council Meeting beginning at 5:00 P.M. for the City's annual Audit review.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:49 P.M.


Kathy Driskell, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee

EMERGENCY SERVICES

November 9, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Driskell
Alderman Olive
Alderman Lanzotti
Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Clerk Lilly
Chief Adermann
Asst. Chief Childers
Andrea Conrath

Alderman Budd
Alderman Dorchinecz by Facetime
Kellie Hamell
Superintendent Mann

Chairman Driskell called the meeting to order at 6:52 P.M.

PAGER PURCHASE

Fire Chief Adermann expressed the need for additional purchase, as the volunteer firefighters are increasing. The need is for three additional pagers; they will be compatible with the new CAD system. The quote received is from Global Technical Systems, inc. but Chief Adermann is searching for other suppliers and a better price.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to approve the purchase of three(3) pagers at a cost not to exceed \$2,457.00. The motion carried (4-0).

TURN OUT GEAR

Firefighter Call is in need of a new set of turnout gear. During his training period, he has utilized an old set but will need a set specific to him.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to approve the purchase of one(1) set of turnout gear for Firefighter Call at a cost not to exceed \$2,087.00 from Mac's Fire & Safety. The motion carried (4-0).

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Adermann presented his report detailing the following:

- *number of calls (151)
- *training hours (282)
- *inspections at Dollar General and a local school
- *assistance with brush fires
- *one new volunteer
- *Public Education/Fire Prevention to include the smoke alarm campaign, the Angel Tree, and live videos
- *Cures Funding - \$463,500.39 has been paid to date; \$431.61 outstanding from initial allotment

DISCUSSION OF CANINE

Deputy Chief Childers discussed an additional K-9 dog that was donated to the City of Edinburg, then purchased by Officer Just. Should the City of Taylorville decide to employ this K-9, there is a process to follow. The City would need to purchase the dog from Officer Just, purchase and outfit a vehicle specific to the K-9 dog and officer, and purchase all equipment for the dog itself. The citizen who donated the dog originally is willing to assist with a donation toward the expenses. Deputy Chief Childers stated that the cost may not outweigh the benefit of having a second dog. The dog has a work expectancy of 8-9 years; he is certified as well as his handler. The City of Taylorville is the only community in Christian County with a K-9 unit. Chairman Driskell requested that Deputy Chief Childers secure more information on costs and return to the Committee with that information.

HOLIDAYS/COMP TIME

No action was taken on this issue as negotiations are past and a contract is in effect.

NEW FEDERAL USE OF FORCE CERTIFICATION

Due to police brutality nationwide, there will be new training on Use of Force that all officers will be required to complete once available.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

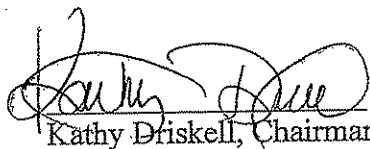
- *Calls for service were down from 1552 in October 2019 to 1417 in October 2020
- *Majority of crimes in October were thefts
- *2007 Chevy Tahoe may be eligible for seizure; could be possible K-9 unit
- *Community Policing/programs continuing
- *Safe Passage fundraiser raised \$3,000; \$2,000 in donations; 13 citizens assisted
- *New CAD system will be active in March; training in November/December
- *Paperwork complete for \$18,675.00 Grant for parking lot; if approved will submit RFP for bids

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Mayor Barry stated that the City had purchased 2-3 foggers to be utilized to sanitize the building daily. This will save money, as Servpro charged \$6,250.00 each time they sanitized the building. This has been done 2 times for complete building and once for the police department only.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Bryant to adjourn. The motion carried (4-0).

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.



Kathy Driskell, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee