

EMERGENCY SERVICES

May 7, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Bryant
Alderman Olive
Alderman Driskell

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

Alderman Lanzotti

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