

SAFETY COMMITTEE

June 3, 2024

The June 3, 2024 Safety Committee meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers by Kenneth Wessler, Chairman. Safety Committee members present were Julia Lemire, John Walker, and Kenneth Wessler.

Others present included: Kyle McColly, Mayor; Jared Lucas, Police Chief; Mike MaGinn, Fire Chief; Amy Gardner, Wyandot County Council on Aging; Brittney Walton, Wyandot Chamber of Commerce; Brian Hemminger, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The summary of bills totaling \$10,283.34 was presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mrs. Lemire, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$10,283.34. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the May 6, 2024 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each Safety Committee member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the May 20, 2024 special Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each Safety Committee member, were approved as received.

At this time Mrs. Amy Gardner, Wyandot County Council on Aging, addressed the Safety Committee requesting permission for two food trucks, including Mark's Ice Cream and possibly a coffee/beverage food truck, to set up from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 21, 2024 in front of the Wyandot County Council on Aging building located at 127 South Sandusky Avenue. Mrs. Brittney Walton, Wyandot Chamber of Commerce, voiced her support of Mrs. Gardner's request.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lemire, seconded by Mr. Walker, to allow up to two food trucks to set up in front of the Wyandot County Council on Aging building, 127 South Sandusky Avenue, on Wednesday, August 21, 2024 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mayor McColly reported on an inquiry from a concerned citizen, following the Chick-fil-A food truck being set up as part of the final Rally in the Alley event held by the Star Theater, and not having obtained a food truck license from the City. Mayor McColly indicated that he will be following up with seeing that food trucks obtain licenses in the future.

Mrs. Walton inquired about the waiver for food trucks to be located closer than one hundred (100) feet to brick and mortar restaurants. Mayor McColly indicated that he will be presenting the waiver, drafted by Mr. Ben Buckland, Law Director, to the Downtown Committee for their review.

Mayor McColly noted that additional traffic safety measures were implemented for the Memorial Day Parade held Monday, May 27, 2024. Mrs. Lemire indicated that she received positive feedback regarding these safety measures. Chief Lucas indicated that the Memorial Day Parade went well but in the future he has decided that the parade route will be closed sooner to vehicular traffic.

Mr. Wessler reported that the McWilliams are still planning to install a cabinet at the reservoir containing life jackets for use by boaters. Mr. Wessler will report the progress on this project. Mrs. Lemire suggested information be handed out at swim lessons regarding the rules and laws addressing the use life jackets.

Chief Lucas reported on the following:

- The police cruiser that was struck at the intersection of North Seventh Street and West Church Street is scheduled for repair on Monday, July 8, 2024.
- A representative from Bender Communications was here recently to troubleshoot the radio issues within the Police Department. These issues have been resolved and radio antennas on all of the police vehicles have been replaced. The placement

of an antenna to the north of the City may be considered as additional options are being explored for even better coverage.

- Chief Lucas, Captain Seth Gillig, and School Resource Officer/Police Officer Jesse Lucas participated in the Family Fun Fest held at Union School at the end of the school year, and there were great interactions with the students.
- A civil service examination for police officer candidates is scheduled to take place on Saturday, June 15, 2024.
- Traffic is still being monitored at the intersection of North Eighth Street and West Church Street, and the stop bar on North Eighth Street for southbound traffic is expected to be moved soon.

Chief MaGinn reported on the following:

- The Fire Department responded to fifty-five (55) runs in April, including thirty-one (31) gas leaks; and they responded to thirty-two (32) runs in May. Runs for both months included working fires and alarm drops.
- During the months of April and May all of the trucks at the Fire Department were serviced, and Department of Transportation inspections were held with all trucks passing all inspections. Chief MaGinn did note that there are some tires on trucks that will need to be replaced in the future.
- Members of the Fire Department participated in the EMA's Hazmat exercise on Saturday, June 1, 2024. Chief MaGinn plans to put all of the staff thru Hazmat training the have three (3) members certified as technicians.
- Firemen Scott Young and Bob Orr participated in Wyandot Memorial Hospital's Babysitting Clinic recently.
- The permits for the City's fireworks to take place on Friday, July 5, 2024 are in place.
- Chief MaGinn is working on the renewals of the Fire Protection Contracts. Chief MaGinn is proposing a charge of \$500.00 per square mile for three (3) years with Crane and Mifflin Townships. Chief MaGinn is also proposing a \$500.00 price per square mile for Salem Township for one (1) year due to the unknown factors of Valencia, the new Louis Dreyfus soybean processing facility to be built in Salem Township.
- Chief MaGinn noted that the Fire Department's new tanker is nice. The Department's old tanker is currently parked at the City garage and FEMA regulations dictate the sale of that equipment.

Mayor McColly reported that notification has been received that the Police Dispatchers have begun the unionizing process.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Kenneth Wessler, Chairman