



**Public Safety Committee
June 28, 2016
MINUTES**

Present: Aldermen Hawkins, Nerbun and Pukaite; Police Chief Graff, Deputy Director of Engineering Keegan, Executive Assistant Kowalchuk, press and interested public

Absent: Fire Chief Bialk

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Approve Meeting minutes:

- a) Meeting minutes of May 24, 2016
- b) Meeting minutes of June 14, 2016

Moved by Alderman Nerbun, seconded by Alderman Hawkins to approve the meeting minutes of May 24 and June 14, 2016. The motion passed by voice acclamation.

Discussion

a) Traffic Concerns on Saddlebrook Lane

↳ Residents present for item discussion: Abby Thompson, Julie Roeshen, Sean Odriscoll

Due to resident concerns of excessive speeding on Saddlebrook Lane, the city conducted radar and officer presence speed monitoring, and deployed traffic measuring cables. Saddlebrook Lane's current posted speed limit is 25 MPH.

Traffic data collected revealed the average speed to be 27 MPH; however, the data also revealed there are a few drivers that drive very fast.

Discussion with the Saddlebrook residents in attendance included the speeding behavior they are witnessing and the pros/cons of introducing stops signs. This discussion resulted in the following suggestions:

- The city will review placement of the existing speed limit sign for the potential of a more beneficial placement area.
- City to review and communicate to Saddlebrook Lane resident Abby Thompson, the protocol regarding the possible addition of "Children at Play" signs (potential cost to Homeowners Association).
- Speed board to be deployed in the area.
- If residents can identify a pattern of speeding behavior (make, model of car, usual blocks of times speeding occurs), providing this information to the police will increase the success of catching the violators. (Videos of speeders can/to be provided by Saddlebrook resident Sean Odriscoll).
- Homeowners Association to communicate via temporary signs, flyers posted at the construction sights, and email blasts to residents that this neighborhood is actively

monitored for speed and that the police will be out randomly to identify speeding patterns for purposes of enforcement.

b) Cellular 9-1-1 Concerns

Alderman Pukaite explained her desire for wanting to collect information and start a discussion on Cellular 9-1-1 concerns due to her recent experience with an emergency response encumbered with an additional 5 minute delay due to Mequon's 9-1-1 cellular calls having to go through the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Office (OZSO). Moreover data reveals that more 9-1-1 calls are originating from cell phones and every month for the past year, the Mequon Police Department has received more cellular 9-1-1 calls that had to be transferred from OZSO than it has landline 9-1-1- calls.

Chief Graff reported that he is waiting for additional information from AT&T, the cell phone provider whom the city purchased its 9-1-1 system from, which can handle both cellular 9-1-1 calls and text messages; however, the County is disinclined to allow Mequon or other Ozaukee County police departments that have this cellular 9-1-1 system capability to do so despite a number of requests.

Committee members were in agreement that Mequon calls originating from Mequon/Mequon towers go through Mequon's dispatch center should it be confirmed that cell technology can determine the location of the originating cell phone. Committee members directed continued gathering of information.

Adjourn

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Nerbun to adjourn at 7:35 pm. The motion passed by voice acclamation.

Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Kowalchuk
Executive Assistant
Minutes approved 08/23/16