

Safety Committee Minutes

Date: 7-11-2023

Time: 4 pm

Members Present: Mayor Carol Bailey, Chief John Vaughn, Councilwoman Pat Rollins, and Councilman Daniel Angel

Issues:

Patrol Vehicles

1. Chief Vaughn shared that the new truck is equipped and ready for the road. He shared that the Council may want to consider adding a label on the rear of the vehicle stating POLICE, but at the moment the Committee is comfortable moving forward as is.
2. There is a 3rd patrol car Council plans to eliminate. The Village solicitor has stated that if we sell it for less than \$1000, there is no need to put the car up for bid. The Committee plans to suggest to Council that they sell the car to Clay Center for \$950.
3. Chief Vaughn stated the department would like to purchase a golf cart. Councilman Angel suggested the issue be tabled due to a lack of available funds in the police budget for such a purchase.

New Officers

1. There are several new officers currently in training. Chief Vaughn stated he thought they were progressing well.

Strips on 105

1. The County added new double strips to the section of 105 they recently tarred and chipped.

Speed Signs

1. Mayor Bailey shared concerns from the Streets Committee about the locations of two radar speed signs in the Village. One on 105 and the other on Rees Rd.
 - a. Councilman Angel reminded the Committee that Council decided on the new location for the sign on Rees Rd. and that issue moved from the Safety Committee to the Streets Committee back in the winter.
 - b. Chief Vaughn stated he liked the location of the sign on 105 as it serves as another reminder for drivers to slow down while entering the Village.
2. Councilman Angel asked the Chief when he would be available to train on how to pull data from the speed signs. They agreed to look at their schedules and make accommodations for each other.

Fair

1. Chief Vaughn informed the Committee that the Wood County Sherriffs would not be offering the use of their golf carts for this year's fair due to concerns about alcohol being sold at the Legion Hall this year. Their concern is strictly over the liability of the cart operators who will not be trained to determine if someone is unable to drive their car home after consuming alcohol at the fair.
2. Chief Vaughn stated he was confident that the department will be able to provide security for the event.

Barricades

1. Chief Vaughn stated that the barricades for street closures have been purchased and are being stored in the Walnut Street building.

Adjourned: 4:32pm