

**Minutes
Public Safety Committee
February 2, 2015
6:00 PM
3rd committee meeting**

Members present were Chairman Bob Cook, Committee members Taft Matney and Scott Crosby. Police Chief Turner, Fire Chief Sapp and City Administrator Trey Eubanks were also present. Judge Martin was out sick.

1. Call to order.- Chairman Cook
2. Public Comment
3. Reading and approval of minutes- Councilman Matney made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Cook seconding. The vote was unanimous (3-0).
4. Reports or communications from city officers
 - a. Budget reports- Chief Turner said his department budget looks good. Some recruiting and testing is being done now for dispatch.
 - b. Chief Turner- Councilman Matney asked if we have some new police cars coming in. Chief Turner said some bids were received, but we have not purchased anything. He expects to have something to Trey in the next week or so. The vehicles we have now are holding up pretty well. The year is not as important as the mileage. Some of the older cars are at the high school or as an investigator car.
 - c. Angela Martin- Angela was out with the flu. Trey gave her report. Jury Trials are coming up in a few weeks. The department budget looks good.
 - d. Chief Sapp- Chief Sapp just received a memorandum of understanding for a county wide communications grant and Trey asked that the rules be suspended to add that to the agenda.

Councilman Matney made a motion to suspend the rules and Councilman Crosby seconded. The vote was unanimous (3-0).

Chief Sapp said the new ladder truck was outside and the new pumper is in service now.

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) would provide 31 departments with new communication devices so we can talk with other departments. \$5858 is what we are responsible for paying and we will receive 6 mobile and 18 portable radios. \$60,000-80,000 worth of equipment is what we

would get. Councilman Matney stressed the importance of the equipment. If incident commanders cannot talk to each other, lives could be in danger. The primary function of government is for the safety and security of the taxpayers.

This item was sent to full council.

5. Unfinished business.
6. New business.
7. Public Comment
8. Committee concerns.
9. Adjournment.- Chairman Cook adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Miller

Municipal Clerk