

Public Safety Committee  
Wednesday, September 6, 2017 6:00 p.m.  
Regular Meeting  
**Common Council Chambers**  
**31 South Madison Street**

**MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order.** Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by James Montgomery.
2. **Roll Call.** Members present: James Montgomery, Dianne Duggan and Larry Dobbs. Others present: Police Chief Scott McElroy, EMS Chief Jamie Kessenich, City Administrator Ian Rigg, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Samantha Jozefowicz, Kim Gruebling and John Marx.
3. **Agenda.** A motion was made by Dobbs, second by Duggan, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion was approved 3-0.
4. **Minutes.** A motion was made by Dobbs, second by Montgomery, to approve the August 2, 2017 Public Safety regular meeting minutes. Motion was approved 3-0.
5. **Citizen appearances.** None.
6. **Old Business.**
  - A. A motion was made by Dobbs, second by Duggan, to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2017-10 Amending Chapter 122 of the Municipal Code, Parking Restrictions for Unregistered Vehicles. Motion was approved 3-0.
7. **New Business.**
  - A. A motion was made by Duggan, second by Dobbs to approve the Original Operators License application for:
    1. Bonnie Lou Calkins; 2. Fae Rose Egli; 3. Ann Marie Reeves. Motion was approved 3-0.
  - B. A discussion took place on how the Evansville Police Department should dispose of found property (bicycles). It was determined that the property can be disposed of by the Chief's discretion.
  - C. A motion was made by Duggan, second by Dobbs to delay until the October meeting the motion to recommend to Common Council Ordinance 2017-13, an ordinance amending Section 106-163(b), Short-Term Closure. Motion was approved 3-0.
8. **Police Department Report.** McElroy gave his monthly report covering the training for officers. EPS coordinated a high visibility drug interdiction deployment in the City of Evansville and Town of Union on Thursday, August 31. BASE secured a "Drug Interdiction" grant for 2018. We use these funds for various high visibility operations looking to stop drug trafficking. We utilize staff from other agencies as well K9 units and this included participation in the Rock County SIU. We have advertised to create

a new eligibility list for full/part time officers. Newly appointed part time officer Ryan Price has completed his field training and is now working as a second officer. Calls for August were 1124 and in 2016 they were 818. Number of license plate transactions for August 2017 were 60.

A. Budget Presentation – McElroy requested an increase in full time wages for detective/investigator position. Increase for training and safety equipment have been added for this position. McElroy requested an increase in Police Equipment. McElroy requested an increase in police software/ITT services and office supplies. Based on 6 month averages, McElroy requested a decrease in professional services, accreditation, fuel and building maintenance. After COLA adjustments, a decrease in part time police costs due to increase in full time police costs. McElroy also projects a decrease in revenue for vehicle inspections and parking ticket revenue. There are less and less vehicle inspections and the parking ticket revenue may have been budgeted a little too aggressively for 2017.

9. **EMS Report.** Chief Kessenich reported 64 calls for service in August of that 6 were with 810. Chief Kessenich reported 61 calls for service during the month of July of that 4 were with 810. Staffing levels are at 13 EMT's and 3 Driver's as of September 1 and there are 3 EMR's on the fire department. The remodel is coming to a close. Just need to have the lighting finished up, baseboard and order the tables and chairs. All flooring is complete and walls are complete. National Night Out was a success. Thank you to BASE and Lt. Reese for all their hard work in putting this together. We showed the public our LUCAS machine, which they were all very interested in. Run Review was on August 9<sup>th</sup>, had several runs to review as we have been extremely busy. Kessenich met with Foster Coach ambulance to begin working on getting quote and specs for a new ambulance. Kessenich spoke with Paul Logan at the Dane County Communications center in regards to having Brooklyn respond to some of the northern sections of our area when we are not available. He advised that there is no way Brooklyn could respond faster than how we have things set up at this time. Even in a perfect situation he feels that Footville would be faster due to how the call would have to transfer from dispatch center to dispatch center in order to get Brooklyn notified. He advised that he would be happy to attend a meeting if more discussion would need to occur as to why Footville responds to these areas. He is in favor of us leaving our responses the way they currently are. There was discussion about having Paul Logan attend the next fire district meeting. The stair chairs and cots received their yearly maintenance. Kessenich contacted Emergency Apparatus Maintenance to establish emergency maintenance on a routine basis for both ambulances. This company works specifically with emergency vehicles. They will perform routine maintenance such as oil/filter changes and any other maintenance that is required. Kessenich believes that if we have proper maintenance done on the emergency vehicles by emergency apparatus professionals we will have less issues and vehicles will last to their maximum potential. Kessenich has a quote from TKK Electronics to replace current MDT's in the ambulances. Just have a couple of questions to get answered and then will order those units along with new mounting brackets for in each ambulance.

A. Budget Presentation – Rigg projects that revenue will stay relatively the same. There will be an increase in fund balance applied that will go towards vitals monitoring equipment and a merger consultant. Salary is projected to increase due to raises. EMS clothing and cleaning decreases and there will not be the quantities of clothes on hand as there was in the past. The EMS professional

services and EMS admin services have switched. The fees from LifeQuest had been going into professional services, but are actually an administrative service. There is a placeholder for an ambulance with potential savings in purchasing the new ambulance in 2018 rather than 2019 because there are several other communities purchasing in 2018 and we may be able to get a bulk discount.

10. **Meeting Reminder:** Next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 1, 6:00 pm.

11. **Motion to adjourn.** Motion by Dobbs, second by Duggan, to adjourn at 7:05 pm. Motion approved 3-0.

Samantha Jozefowicz  
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

*The minutes are not official until approved by the Public Safety Committee at the next regular meeting.*