# Public Safety Committee Wednesday, October 7, 2015 6:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

## Common Council Chambers 31 South Madison Street

#### **MINUTES**

- 1. Call to Order. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by James Montgomery.
- **2.** Roll Call. Members present: James Montgomery, Cheryl Fuchs, Matt Brown. Others present: City Administrator Ian Rigg, Police Chief Scott McElroy, Mayor Sandy Decker, EMS Assistance Director Carolyn Kleisch.
- **3.** A motion was made by Fuchs, second by Brown, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carries 3-0.

**4.** A motion was made by Brown, second by Fuchs, to approve the Sept. 2, 2015 regular meeting minutes as printed.

Motion carries 3-0.

- **5.** Citizen appearances other than agenda items listed. None.
- **6.** Old Business.
  - A. Discussion regarding liquor and operator's licensing policies including a formal denial/appeal process (placeholder).
- 7. New Business.
  - **A.** Donna Lewis of Eastern Star will present a donation to the Evansville Police Department to contribute towards the purchase of body cameras. Donna Lewis and Kay Faulkner presented a \$3000.00 check to Police Chief Scott McElroy to be used towards the purchase of body cameras. McElroy thanked them for the generous donation.
  - **B.** A motion was made by Fuchs, second by Brown, to recommend approval to the Common Council the Rock County Humane Society Purchase of Services Agreement. Police Chief McElroy explained the agreement. There were no changes in cost to the agreement, the cost will remain the same as the prior agreement.

Motion carries 3-0.

C. A motion was made by Brown, second by Fuchs, to recommend approval to council regarding a request from Creekside Place for a permanent amendment of premises on their liquor license. Kelly Czerwonka, of Creekside Place, and Burton Wheeler were

in attendance to present the request to amend premises. They explained the Cruise events were very successful, and they are requesting a permanent amendment of premises for times when they hold special events only.

Motion carries 3-0.

- **D.** A motion was made by Fuchs, second by Brown, to approve the Original Operator's License application(s) for:
  - 1. Ellen Paulson
  - 2. Ashley J. Grant

Ashley was in attendance to explain why she has omissions on her application. She stated she thought she only had to indicate any criminal charges, not traffic violations. The committee determined those violations weren't related to approving and issuing an operator's license.

Motion carries 3-0.

- 8. Continuing discussion regarding the 2016 Evansville Police Department Capital and Operating Budget. Chief McElroy would like to add the \$3000.00 donation from the Easter Star to the budget for the body camera's when deliberating the budget. Rigg stated he already amended the budget to reflect the \$3000.00 donation from the Eastern Star. Rigg stated that overall the budget looked positive. The budgets are almost ready for council presentation.
- 9. Continuing discussion regarding the 2016 EMS Capital and Operating Budget. City Administrator Rigg stated he added the workers compensation and ambulance loan interest to the EMS budget. Those were very small adjustments.
- 10. Evansville Medical Services Report. Assistant Chief Kleisch presented the EMS monthly report. There were 40 ambulance runs for the month of September. She stated the EMS schedule is the biggest challenge with the shortage of staff, and staff have stepped up to fill the schedule voids. Rigg stated there will be a meeting with several other local area communities to get assistance in filling the shifts. He changed the mutual aid agreement to be provided by Footville Fire and EMS. Kleisch stated they have 6-7 interested candidates that will be taking the training in January.
- 11. Evansville Police Department Report. Police Chief McElroy presented his monthly report for September. Mayor Decker would like to have the National Incident Management Training Program (NIMS) reinstituted. It has been several years since the training has taken place. Mayor Decker also stated the city webpage may be a good place to add scam alerts.

Please see the police report listed below:

POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT September - 2015

## II. Officer Training:

Officer Arnold continues her "shadow phase" of Training
Officers Hollis and Rittenhouse continue in their field training.
EPD staff will complete Blood Borne Pathogen training in next few months.
We have reserved a slot for ALERRT Level 1 Active Shooter training are scheduled for November 9-10, 2015 and December 9-10, 2015 in Beloit.

#### III. Community Relations:

See: http://www.ci.evansville.wi.gov/city/services/police.html

Officers Reading to students: Officers began reading to/with the students at the Elementary school on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Drug "Take back" day brought in 28 lbs. of meds and 125 lbs. of meds the past 6 months.

#### IV. Monthly Update:

## **1.** Follow up from July Meeting:

Block Party {Church Street} - all went well. We completed our CIB Audit. This is unusually done at minimum every 3 years. I posted a scam alert and we have also posted lost pets on our Face Book page.

- **2.** Budget: Anything further discussion?
- **3.** Compliance checks: We completed compliance checks this past month with 100% compliance!
- **4.** Drug Take Back day:
  - c. The DOJ Drug Take-Back day was Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. We collected 28 lbs. of meds and 125 lbs. the past 6 months.
- **5.** <u>Technology/Equipment Update</u>:
  - Body Cameras: I am testing another body camera for 30 days
  - Troy Semenic, Right Angle Communication, LLC advised that he feels we need to replace our internal video recording system. I plan to budget for one next year.

### **6.** Police Commission/staffing:

 We offer congratulations to Officer Meryisa Hernandz. Meryisa has accepted a full time position with the Sauk County Sheriff's Department. She has been an outstanding part time officer for the City of Evansville and will be missed! Meryisa may stay on part time.

- On Tuesday June 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Evansville Police Commission appointed Jessica Rittenhouse and Garrett Hollis. These two are currently in field training.
- Jacquelyn M. Arnold continues working as a second officer. Jacqui started her training on Thursday September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014. On August 13, the Evansville Police Commission appointed Jacqui. Jacqui is a full time Rock County Sheriff's Office Correctional Officer.
- Mark Trawicki started on Monday August 3<sup>rd</sup> as our new coop student.

**7.** Calls for Service: September 2015: 872 2014: 990

**8.** <u>License Plate Transactions</u>: September 2015: 42

9. Face Book Page: EPD continues to utilize "Face book."

- V. Agenda Items for Discussion:
  - 7. A Discussion on accepting donation from Eastern Star.
  - 7. D Discussion on Rock County Humane Society Agreement

VI: Ancillaries:

- Humane Society contract
- Drug Drop off Collection photo

~ End of Police Report ~

- 12. Meeting Reminder: Next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 4, 6:30 pm.
- 13. Motion to adjourn. Motion by Brown, second by Fuchs, to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

Motion carries 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Hougan Deputy Clerk/Treasurer