

SAFETY COMMITTEE

December 5, 2016

The December 5, 2016 Safety Committee meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers by Bill Thornton, Chairman. Safety Committee members present were Rick Roberts, Bill Thornton, and Kenneth Wessler.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Mark Ellis, Law Director; Dan Ross, Police Captain; Lynn Yeater, Fire Chief; Howard Culley; Andrea Culley; Janice Rish; Alissa Paoella, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The following bills were presented:

	<u>POLICE</u>	<u>FIRE</u>	<u>MUNI. CT.</u>	<u>GENERAL</u>
AEP Ohio	3801.30			
A-1 Printing			196.00	
Amy Ratliff			195.00	
Amy Ratliff			430.00	
AT & T			323.16	
AT & T	96.53			
Blanchard Valley Health	66.14			
Brown Supply Company		23.40		
E & K Independent, LLC		525.00		
Data Talk				835.38
Finley Fire Equipment		4066.33		
First Aid Now		64.20		
Flagler Emergency Services		185.00		
Gall's	336.91			
Henschen and Associates			870.00	
ID Networks	499.00			
J & J Sales, Ltd.				76.00
Jared Lucas	22.58			
Karen Kline			254.00	
Kerrs Automotive	470.04			
Lexis Nexis			79.08	
Luis Gil			40.00	
Modern Marketing	458.24			
OH Peace Offer Training	225.00			
OAMCCC			395.00	
OMAA			775.00	
OMAA			200.00	
Path Master	867.00			
Pilot Travel Centers	430.68			
Positive Promotions		603.78		
Quill	56.22			
Reineke Motors	79.30			
Richland Uniform	98.00			
Treasurer, State of Ohio	665.00			
US Bank	368.77			
County of Wyandot			380.00	
County of Wyandot			12.00	
Verizon Wireless	498.23			
Walmart	82.06			
Watch Guard	170.00			
Wilson Tire Co.	598.61			537.76
Yeater's Laundry	136.00			
Total	<u>10025.61</u>	<u>5467.71</u>	<u>4149.24</u>	<u>1449.14</u>

TOTAL BILLS: \$21,091.70

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Roberts, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$21,091.70. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Safety Committee members discussed the possibility of lowering the speed limit on East Wyandot Avenue from Harrison Smith Park east to Duck Pond Road from 45 mph to 35 mph to allow for the operation of golf carts on this roadway. Mr. and Mrs. Culley inquired as to the possibility of lowering the speed limit on North Warpole Street to 35 mph to also allow for the operation of golf carts on this roadway. It was noted that North Warpole Street is also a State Route and the speed limit on this roadway is set by the State of Ohio.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to recommend that the procedure to lower the speed limit on East Wyandot Avenue, from Harrison Smith Park to Duck Pond Road, from 45 mph to 35 mph be researched and for the process to begin. Upon Roll Call, all members voted as follows:

Mr. Roberts	-	No
Mr. Thornton	-	Yes
Mr. Wessler	-	Yes

The Chairman declared the motion carried by a 2-1 vote.

The draft legislation addressing the operation of golf carts on City streets was discussed. Mr. Ellis indicated that this legislation would put the City's Municipal Ordinances in compliance with the Ohio Revised Code, and is necessary before these vehicles can operate lawfully on City streets after January 1, 2017.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to recommend to City Council to approve the proposed legislation authorizing the operation of low speed vehicles, under speed vehicles, utility vehicles, mini trucks, motor driven cycles and motor scooters within the City. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Safety Committee members discussed the traffic light located at the intersection of South Sandusky Avenue and Crawford Street. It was noted that the Safety Committee decided years ago to set the light to flash at all times, but it was recently changed to full operation due to an accident and excessive traffic in the area due to road closures and detours as a result of the Sewer Separation Project. It was noted that most of the road closures and detours are now gone and the traffic light is still in full operation.

A motion was made by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to revert the traffic light located at the intersection of South Sandusky Avenue and Crawford Street back to flash at all times. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Culley inquired about changing the cycle of the traffic light at the intersection of West Wyandot Avenue and Hazel Street. Mr. Thornton indicated that school children crossing at this intersection was monitored prior to the cycle of this traffic light being changed. Safety Committee members discussed the possibility of changing the cycle of the traffic light again. Captain Ross suggested that any changes to the traffic light pattern be made during the summer months to allow motorists time to adjust to these changes while school is out.

Mr. Culley inquired as to if a pedestrian switch could be added to the stop light located at the intersection of North Warpole Street and Industrial Drive/TH 49. Mayor Washburn will discuss this request with Mr. Eric Gottfried, Gottfried Electric.

Chief Yeater reported that the Fire Department will hold its' annual food drive on Saturday, December 10, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to benefit the local food pantry. Representatives from the Fire Department will be collecting donations at Walmart, Save-A-Lot, and A & A Grocery.

Captain Ross reported that the Police Department's annual "Shop with a Cop" is upcoming.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Bill Thornton, Chairman