

SAFETY COMMITTEE

December 3, 2018

The December 3, 2018 Safety Committee meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers by Rick Roberts, Chairman. Safety Committee members present were Rick Roberts, Bill Thornton, and Kenneth Wessler.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Seth Gillig, Police Captain; Lynn Yeater, Fire Chief; Brian Hemminger, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The following bills were presented:

	<u>POLICE</u>	<u>FIRE</u>	<u>MUNI. CT.</u>
AT & T	85.22		
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American Fire Safety Services	117.50		
Brown Supply Company			87.86
Bryan Long			6.00
Jesse Evilsizer	44.61		
Finley Fire Equipment		525.00	
ID Networks	499.00		
Karen Kline			254.00
Kline Pest Control	24.75	24.75	
Luis Gil			40.00
OAMCCC			395.00
Quill		64.86	
Rall Supply		19.78	
Reineke Motors	43.60		
Reineke Motors	34.53		
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Staples	82.06		
Superior Uniform Sales		755.89	
Treasure, State of Ohio	665.00		
US Bank	623.59		
Verizon Wireless	435.68		
William Barron	375.00		
Yeater's Laundry	<u>219.50</u>		
Total	<u>3284.57</u>	<u>1390.28</u>	<u>1071.46</u>

TOTAL BILLS: \$5,746.31

A motion was made by Mr. Thornton, seconded by Mr. Wessler, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$5,746.31. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

It was noted that interviews were conducted on Monday, November 26, 2018 by Chief Yeater, Mr. Wessler, and Mr. Marc Mays for the two applicants interested in the Fire Chief position. Mr. Wessler indicated that it is the recommendation of those conducting the interviews that Mr. Mike MaGinn be hired as Fire Chief to replace Chief Yeater who will be retiring at the end of the month.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to hire Mr. Mike MaGinn as Fire Chief. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried. Mr. MaGinn will be asked to attend the January 7, 2019 City Council meeting to be sworn in as Fire Chief.

Captain Gillig presented information on a plan to control traffic flow for the Winter Fantasy of Lights (WFOL) from 5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays leading up to Christmas and on the Sunday before Christmas. Captain Gillig explained all eastbound access to East Wyandot Avenue will be prohibited at North Fourth Street, North and South Fifth Street, and North and South Sandusky Avenue; and access to East Wyandot Avenue from North Third Street and South Fourth Street will be prohibited. Curbside parking along the south side of the 200 block of East Wyandot Avenue will also be prohibited during these time frames. These modifications should create two separate traffic lanes leading to Harrison Smith Park, with the inside lane for traffic wanting to travel east past the park and the outside lane for those visiting the WFOL. The goal for this traffic pattern is to create less congestion and a more orderly flow of traffic.

Chief Yeater reported that the Fire Department is currently looking at upgrading their radios to the State owned Marcs Radio System, with grant funding of up to \$50,000.00 available to Fire Departments. This radio system enables communications between fire departments located in and out of the county. It was noted that there are annual user fees per radio for which there is currently grant funding available to pay those fees. It was also noted that the Wyandot County EMS and the Wyandot County Sheriff's Department are going to the Marcs Radio System.

Chief Yeater presented information on the manpower situation at the Fire Department and noted that many times there are issues with the department being understaffed. Chief Yeater indicated that he anticipates incoming Fire Chief Mike MaGinn to further discuss this matter with the Safety Committee and present his suggestions.

Chief Yeater also reported that the Fire Department's annual food drive will be held on Saturday, December 8, 2018.

Chief Yeater thanked the Safety Committee and the City for their support of many improvements to the Fire Department and he indicated that it has been his pleasure to serve the City as Fire Chief. Safety Committee members congratulated Chief Yeater on his retirement and thanked him for his years of service to the City.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Rick Roberts, Chairman