

SAFETY COMMITTEE

January 4, 2021

The January 4, 2021 Safety Committee meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. via zoom by Rick Roberts, Chairman. Safety Committee members present were Aaron Korte, Rick Roberts, and Kenneth Wessler.

Others present included: Kyle McColly, Mayor; Dan Ross, Police Chief; Mike MaGinn, Fire Chief; Mark Droll, City Auditor; 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			300.28
A-1 Printing			23.60
Brown Supply			729.31
Brown Supply	158.20		
Chad Ward		575.35	
Galls		150.64	
Galls		75.31	
Galls		501.23	
Guth Laboratories, Inc.	35.38		
Henschen and Associates			1042.60
Mohawk Animal Hospital	70.78		
Perry Pro Tech		849.94	
Quill	10.99		
Quill	8.58		
Ramona Lambert			502.00
Romich Sales & Service		53.70	
The Ame Group	1080.00		
Ohio Treasurer of State		780.00	
Treasurer, State of Ohio	665.00		
Verizon Wireless	432.25		
Visa	440.00		
Visa		430.15	
Yeater's Laundry	<u>244.50</u>		
Total	<u>3145.68</u>	<u>3416.32</u>	<u>2597.79</u>

TOTAL BILLS: \$9,159.79

A motion was made by Mr. Korte, seconded by Mr. Roberts, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$9,159.79. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the December 7, 2020 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each Safety Committee member, were approved as received.

Mr. Roberts welcomed Mr. Korte as the newest member of the Safety Committee.

Mr. Roberts also thanked the Fire Department for escorting Santa Claus throughout the City on a fire truck on Tuesday, December 22, 2020. Chief MaGinn indicated that this was done at the suggestion of a member of the community.

Discussion was again held regarding downtown parking restrictions and street sweeping as previously discussed at the August 3, 2020 and September 8, 2020 Safety Committee meetings. There are currently signs posted in the 100 and 200 blocks of North and South Sandusky Avenue and the 100 blocks of East and West Wyandot Avenue stating "No Parking between the hours of 4:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays". It was noted that if there is only one car the street sweeper can sweep around that car, but in cases of big events in the downtown area the Street Department wants to sweep the entire

area. Currently the Police Department is issuing warnings to vehicles parked in these areas during these hours. Mr. Roberts stated that Mr. Brad Taylor, Street and Sanitation Supervisor, has been asked to come up with a solid schedule for street sweeping in the downtown so that the parking regulations in this area can possibly be amended. Mr. Korte inquired about parking in the downtown in relation to snow plowing. Mayor McColly noted that snow removal is done on an as needed basis. Chief Ross noted that there are separate signs posted to address street sweeping and emergency snow removal. Chief Ross also noted that in the 100 block of South Sandusky Avenue not all areas are restricted and typically there are one to three cars affected by the parking restriction. Mayor McColly stated that he will bring this matter up at the Service Committee meeting to be held later today.

Appointments to the Volunteer Fire Fighters' Dependents Fund Board for 2021 were discussed. Mr. Roberts and Mr. Korte volunteered to serve on this board for 2021.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to appoint Mr. Roberts and Mr. Korte as representatives of the legislative authority to the Volunteer Firefighters' Dependents Fund Board for 2021. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

It was noted that fire protection contracts with Crane, Mifflin, and Salem Townships expire on July 1, 2021. Safety Committee members were given copies of the current contracts and a summary of past contracts with these townships. Safety Committee members agreed to proceed with the negotiations of these fire protection contracts.

Chief MaGinn reported on the following:

- The Fire Department responded to nineteen (19) service calls in December 2020.
- All three of the Fire Department's pumpers (including the ladder truck) recently passed their pump tests, including truck 110 which has a small water leak.
- The Fire Department's ladder and two pumper trucks recently passed their Department of Transportation (DOT) inspections.
- The Fire Department's food drive was held on Saturday, December 12, 2020 and even though the weather was bad they were able to deliver approximately the same amount of food as they had in previous years to the local food pantry plus approximately \$500.00. The Fire Department plans to keep the drive thru drop off for donations in 2021 for the week of the food drive.
- All meetings of the Fire Department in December were cancelled due to COVID-19 (coronavirus).
- The Fire Department would like to proceed with training and business meetings, noting that meetings could be conducted in the fire bay. Safety Committee members voiced no objections provided COVID-19 (coronavirus) guidelines are followed.
- Members of the Fire Department have stayed healthy through the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic.
- Interviews will resume soon for new volunteer members and concerns will be discussed of how to get more volunteers.

Chief Ross reported that the Winter Fantasy of Lights (WFOL) came to an end on December 30, 2020 and there were several busy nights. Chief Ross expressed that he is thankful for the patience and cooperation from the community.

Mayor McColly indicated that a committee will be formed to discuss different ideas for people waiting in line for the Winter Fantasy of Lights (WFOL).

Mayor McColly thanked the Fire Department for escorting Santa Claus throughout the City on a fire truck. Mayor McColly also thanked Mrs. Jill Blackburn for presenting the idea for this event.

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