

SAFETY COMMITTEE

February 1, 2021

The February 1, 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; 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			308.07
Bender Communications	3690.00		
Center for Education & Employment Law	159.00		
Cellebrite, Inc.	4300.00		
Galls		176.96	
Galls	107.95		
Galls	204.00		
Kimmel Corporation		52.50	
Reineke Motors, Inc.	37.20		
Technology Recovery Group	250.00		
Treasurer, State of Ohio	665.00		
Verizon Wireless	433.18		
Wyandot Memorial Hospital	43.90		
Yeater's Laundry	227.00		
Total	<u>10117.23</u>	<u>229.46</u>	<u>308.07</u>

TOTAL BILLS: \$10,654.76

A motion was made by Mr. Korte, seconded by Mr. Wessler, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$10,654.76. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the January 4, 2021 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each Safety Committee member, were approved as received.

Safety Committee members discussed a request presented at the January 21, 2021 Park Board meeting and referred to the Safety Committee and Police Department to close West Hicks Street (north side of the railroad tracks), west of South Warpole Street, during games played by the Girls Slow Pitch Softball League as children are running across the roadway without looking for traffic to retrieve softballs hit over the fence. Chief Ross noted that this has been an issue for years and suggested netting be installed above the outfield fence located along West Hicks Street, similar to the netting located above the outfield fence located along South Warpole Street. Mr. Roberts suggested that the league should not incentivize retrieval of softballs hit over the fence in effort to help eliminate this problem. It was noted that the closure of this street during games should not be viewed as a replacement for parental supervision. It was also noted that the closing of this street could create parking issues and the addition of netting above the fence along West Hicks Street should be considered. Mr. Wessler will report this information to the Park Board.

Mayor McColly presented a quote from Kleem, Inc., West Chester, Ohio, totaling \$1,271.40 for the purchase of street signs to be posted in the downtown area to address parking restrictions for street sweeping. The signs to be placed along Sandusky Avenue would indicate "No Parking" on "Monday" from "4 am – 6 am" "Apr. – Nov.", and the signs to be placed along Wyandot Avenue would indicate "No Parking" on "Wednesday" from "4 am – 6 am" "Apr. – Nov.". Chief Ross indicated that for a period of time warnings will be issued to vehicles parked on these streets during these restricted hours prior to citations being issued. Mayor McColly indicated that he will also be presenting this information to the Service Committee.

Safety Committee members reviewed a quote from Reineke Ford Lincoln, Inc., Findlay, Ohio, totaling \$41,253.02 for the purchase a 2021 Ford Police Interceptor Utility vehicle to replace the current 2014 model canine vehicle, including upfittings and accessories. The vehicle would be purchased through the State Purchasing Program under a three (3) year lease with the annual payments being \$14,579.38. Chief Ross noted that the Police Department's Canine Fund will pay for a portion of cost.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Korte, to approve the purchase of a 2021 Ford Police Interceptor Utility vehicle plus upfittings and accessories totaling \$41,253.02 to be purchased through the State Purchasing Program under a three (3) year lease with the annual payments being \$14,579.38. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Chief MaGinn indicated that a few years ago former Fire Chief Lynn Yeater addressed the Service Committee requesting a change in the City's specifications for fire hydrants to add a stortz fitting. Currently the Fire Department has to use an adaptor to attach onto the fire hydrants. Mayor McColly will discuss this matter with the Service Committee. Chief MaGinn was invited at attend a Service Committee meeting to also discuss this matter.

Chief Ross reported that he has been looking into Lexipol policy service. He has attended a webinar regarding this service and he will be attending another webinar later this week.

Chief MaGinn reported that the Fire Department has applied for a \$15,000.00 grant through the Fire Marshall to replace older helmets and turnout gear. This grant program addresses equipment for smaller fire departments with populations of 25,000 or less.

Chief MaGinn also reported that the Fire Department's air compressor addressed under an AFG grant will be delivered soon.

Chief MaGinn also reported that five potential volunteer candidates have been interviewed and he is working with the human resource office to address these candidates serving their probationary period by observing the operations of the department prior to attending the necessary schooling.

Chief MaGinn further reported that the Fire Department responded to twenty-seven (27) calls in January being:

- 6 alarms
- 8 automobile accidents
- 3 CO2 checks
- 2 gas leaks
- 8 fires (3 structural, 3 outdoor fires, 1 chimney, and 1 car).

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

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Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

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Rick Roberts, Chairman