

SAFETY COMMITTEE

March 7, 2011

The March 7, 2011 Safety Committee meeting was called to order at 8:15 p.m. in Council Chambers by Chad Smith, Chairman. Safety Committee members present were Kyle McColly, Chad Smith, and Scot Swinehart.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; David Olds, Police Chief; Bill Sturgeon, Fire Chief; Jim Rhoden, Wyandot Classics and Cruisers; Irvin Woods, Wyandot Classics and Cruisers; Brad Bakies; Ron Swartz; Chanda Neely, 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>
A & A Grocery	22.44	22.44	41.94	41.94
A & A Grocery				28.09
AT & T Midwest	50.00			
Bay Trophy	85.00			
Bender Communications		70.25		
Congressman Jim Jordan				681.60
Gall's Inc.	311.88			
J & J Sales	38.00			
Kerr's Auto Sales	1522.72			
Koehler Drug Company				9.27
Law Enforcement Foundation	1000.00			
Lucius Door Company		830.00		
Office Depot				44.07
Pilot Travel Centers	1449.78			
Quill				577.38
Rarey-Roth Inc.	2600.00	980.00		1420.00
Rarey-Roth Inc.	155.00			
Rea & Associates, Inc.				7000.00
Richardson-Ulrich Flowers				40.00
Treasurer, State of Ohio	747.00			
Treasurer, State of Ohio	200.00			
US LubeXpress	69.48			
West Payment Center			434.00	
Visa – First Citizens Bank	41.01	115.00		
Wal-Mart	43.96			164.75
Yeater's Laundry & Drycleaning	<u>133.00</u>			
Total	<u>8469.27</u>	<u>2017.69</u>	<u>475.94</u>	<u>10007.10</u>

TOTAL BILLS: 20,970.00

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Swinehart, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$20,970.00. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the February 7, 2011 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each Safety Committee member, were approved as received.

Mr. Jim Rhoden and Mr. Irvin Woods, Wyandot Classics and Cruisers, addressed the Safety Committee and requested permission to use the streets in the downtown area for the 11th annual Upper Sandusky Autumn Cruise to be held September 24, 2011. It was noted that 653 cars and trucks were registered for the cruise in 2010, and Wyandot Classics and Cruisers donated \$20,000.00 in proceeds from the 2010 cruise to Hospice. Safety Committee members voiced no objections to this request. Chief Olds will submit a request to the Ohio Department of Transportation to close the necessary streets.

Mr. Brad Bakies addressed the Safety Committee and requested consideration of designating a parking space for handicapped parking only along the west side of North Sandusky Avenue near the apartment building he owns at 216 North Sandusky Avenue. Mr. Bakies indicated that his tenant, Mr. Ron Swartz, who is handicapped, currently utilizes a parking space at the rear of the apartment but must access his apartment from the front of the building. Safety Committee members tabled any action until they have the opportunity view the area and talk to the neighbors.

Chief Sturgeon reported that the Fire Department's Sutphen fire truck has been repaired and is back in service.

Chief Olds reported that the new police cruisers have been assigned Vehicle Identification Numbers (VIN) but are not in production yet.

Chief Sturgeon indicated that the Fire Department would like to sponsor a one day festival on July 30, 2011, and streets in the area of the Fire Department would need to be closed for this event. Safety Committee members voiced no objection to this request.

Chief Sturgeon requested consideration of expanding the residency requirements for members of the Volunteer Fire Department to Wyandot and surrounding counties to be the same as full-time firefighters. It was noted that there are individuals who work in the City and who volunteer for other departments and could respond to local fire calls, but they reside outside the area currently defined in the residency ordinance for volunteers.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Swinehart, to recommend to City Council to amend the residency requirements for members of the Volunteer Fire Department to allow them to reside in the area consisting of Wyandot, Marion, Hardin, Hancock, Seneca, and Crawford counties. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Chief Olds reported that the Police Department has been awarded an \$8,000.00 grant from the Ohio Criminal Justice System for a new computer server for the Police Department. It was noted that Police Officer Allen Foust wrote the grant application. Safety Committee members expressed their appreciation to Officer Foust for his work.

Chief Sturgeon submitted the Upper Sandusky Fire Department 2010 Annual Report.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Chad Smith, Chairman