

SAFETY COMMITTEE

September 2, 2014

The September 2, 2014 Safety Committee meeting meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers by Scot Swinehart, Chairman. Safety Committee members present were Tom Shumaker, Scot Swinehart, and Bill Thornton.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; David Olds, Police Chief; Lynn Yeater, Fire Chief; Chad Smith; Don Spiegel; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The following bills were presented:

	<u>POLICE</u>	<u>FIRE</u>	<u>MUNI. CT.</u>
A-1 Printing			140.00
American Fire & Safety Services	67.25		
Barrett Brothers Legal Publishing			2715.00
Bender Communications	107.50		
Fastenal		2.32	
Finley Fire Equipment		450.00	
First Aid Now	45.80		
Galls	234.34		
Henschen & Associates			1995.00
ID Networks	2325.00		
International Union of Police Assns.	35.00		
Kline Pest Control	24.00	24.00	
Lexis Nexis			206.10
Path Master	412.00		
Super Wash	250.00		
Thomson Reuters – West			423.50
Treasurer, State of Ohio	747.00		
US Bank	444.22		
Verizon Wireless	308.36		
Wheeler Communications		388.50	
Total	<u>5000.47</u>	<u>864.82</u>	<u>5479.60</u>

TOTAL BILLS: \$11,344.89

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Shumaker, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$11,344.89. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the August 4, 2014 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each Safety Committee member, were approved as received.

Mr. Chad Smith addressed the Safety Committee concerning traffic light at the intersection of West Wyandot Avenue and Hazel Street and the possibility of making this traffic light a flashing light. Mr. Smith indicated that he has discussed this traffic light with Mr. Eric Gottfried, Gottfried Electric, and Mr. Gottfried indicated that it would be easier on the system if the traffic light were set to flash rather than run full cycle. Safety Committee members requested Chief Olds observe the crosswalk at this intersection and determine how many children utilize this crosswalk.

Chief Olds reported that he has been observing the drop off and pick up at Union School everyday and no problems are being experienced with drop off and the only problem being experienced with pick up is motorists parking along the east side of North Hazel Street in the 200 block where it is posted “No Parking”. Chief Olds suggested the curb lawn be eliminated and the area be paved or stoned. Safety Committee members discussed the possibility of changing the “No Parking” signs in this area to “Parking Only from 2:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.”. The creation of a drop off zone on the south side of West Finley Street at Union School was discussed. This

would include the elimination of the first parking space to the east of the school parking lot on West Finley Street and the designation of the next two parking spaces as the drop off zone. Mayor Washburn will obtain prices for the work to be done for this drop off zone. It was noted that vehicles are still turning right onto North Hazel Street at the intersection of West Walker Street despite the "No Right Turn" sign being posted but no problems are being experienced with vehicles making this turn at this intersection.

A motion was made by Mr. Shumaker, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to remove the "Right Turn Only" sign on North Hazel Street at the intersection of West Walker Street. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Safety Committee members again discussed the guardrail on the east side North Third Street in the 100 block. It was noted that Mr. Allen Boes, Street and Sanitation Supervisor, is checking with ODOT on the requirements for guardrails.

A date for Trick-or-Treat was discussed. It was noted that the Elks is having their walk-thru on Saturday, October 25, 2014.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to set the date for Trick-or-Treat to be Saturday, October 25, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 pm.

Chief Yeater reported that the federal grant that was submitted for a new truck has been denied. An additional grant submitted for equipment is still pending.

Chief Yeater also reported that the Fire Department's annual Open House will be held on October 11, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Fire Department's new truck has been placed into service.

Chief Olds reported that one of the Police Department's used Dodge Charger cruisers was sold on govdeals.com for just over \$13,000.00, and a used Crown Victoria cruiser was sold for approximately \$2,600.00.

Safety Committee members reviewed the proposed Ordinance No. 176-12 addressing an amendment to the criteria for an original appointment to the Police Department. Chief Olds indicated that the process for a promotional examination for the position of Police Captain is currently ongoing and there are rules within the Civil Service Regulations that are contradictory and need to be resolved.

A motion was made by Mr. Thornton, seconded by Mr. Shumaker, to recommend to City Council to approve Ordinance No. 176-12. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Thornton, seconded by Mr. Shumaker, to enter into an executive session to discuss employee compensation. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried. Upon completion of the executive session, the Safety Committee reconvened into regular session.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Scot Swinehart, Chairman