

**Public Safety Committee
Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2021**

Members Present: Alderwoman Janet Stack
Alderman Chris Farrar

Excused Member: Alderman Will Krause

Other Present: Brendan McKee, Deputy Fire Chief
Jay Keeven, Director of Police
Kevin Head, City Administrator
Jeanne Wojcieszak, Director of Finance
Anna Roseman, Fire Department
John Cunningham, ECTV Deputy Director

The Edwardsville Public Safety Committee meeting was called to order by Alderwoman Janet Stack at 4:00 p.m. in the Governor Edwards Conference Room, 118 Hillsboro Avenue, with a quorum present: Alderwoman Janet Stack and Alderman Chris Farrar. Alderman Will Krause was excused. The meeting was held in person and via ZOOM.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes:

- Motion by Alderwoman Stack, second by Alderman Farrar to approve minutes from the Public Safety Committee meeting held Thursday, February 11, 2021. Motion carried with Stack and Farrar voting aye.

Police Department:

Informational Items:

- Lateral Hiring Process
The Edwardsville Police Department (FPD) has three (3) police officers positions open due to retirements and resignations. There are thirteen (13) interviews scheduled for March 23rd and 24th with the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners for lateral hire candidates.
- Community Safety Meeting Report
March 10th there was a Community Safety meeting attended by Major Mike Fillback. There was concern about car burglaries over the last two (2) to three (3) weeks. There was some discussion about subdivisions purchasing cameras and license plates readers.
- License Plate Reader Exploration
The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) has worked with local law enforcement throughout the state with license plates readers (LPR) on the interstates. There is a pattern of stolen vehicles with multiple passengers coming from St. Louis and stealing vehicle(s) on the Illinois side. Some local police agencies have purchased LPR systems and the DEA has made an agreement with local law enforcements that they would pay to store and give access to the data. A one-time expense to purchase a camera, install and software upgrades is estimated to be \$10,000.00. The cellular modem to send the

data to the Cloud is \$50.00 to \$60.00 per month per camera. The DEA would cover the cost to data storage if a Home Owner's Association (HOA) wanted to buy and install a LPR system and legally document giving it to the City of Edwardsville. A solution may be using the Energy Grant application to help HOAs to cover the cost of purchasing an LPR system.

Fire Department:

Action Item:

- Approval for a Sole Source Resolution Authorizing the Remounting of an Ambulance Patient Treatment Compartment by American Response Vehicles in an Amount Not to Exceed \$187,000.00

Edwardsville Fire Department (EFD) is asking to refurbish and remount the patient box on the 2012 TerraStar ambulance to a new 2021 Ford F-550 chassis. This will have a warranty equivalent to a new ambulance.

Motion by Alderwoman Stack, second by Alderman Farrar to approve a Sole Source Resolution Authorizing the Remounting of an Ambulance Patient Treatment Compartment by American Response Vehicles in an Amount Not to Exceed \$187,000.00. Motion carried with Stack and Farrar voting aye.

Informational Item:

- Weather Warn Control Panel
The Weather Warn Control Panel has been installed and operational. The installation is not fully completed but should be done within the next two (2) to three (3) weeks.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

The next regular scheduled meeting of the Public Safety Committee is Thursday, April 01, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall in person and via Zoom.

Motion to adjourn by Alderwoman Stack, second by Alderman Farrar. With no further business at hand the meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m. Motion carried with Stack and Farrar voting aye.

Will Krause, Chair

Minutes prepared by: Anna Roseman, Fire Department

Approved Signature: /s/ Will Krause, by staff liaison

Approved Date: 04/01/2021

