



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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Councilmember Christine Corrado- Chairperson
Councilmember Christopher Werner, Co-Chairperson

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

The Town of Brighton Public Safety Committee convened on Tuesday December 10, 2019 at - 08:00 hrs. in the Lower Meeting Room, Brighton Town Hall, 2300 Elmwood Avenue, Rochester, New York 14618.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Receive and file minutes of the November 12, 2019 meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Supervisor William Moehle
Councilmember Christine Corrado
Councilmember Christopher Werner
David Catholdi; Chief – Brighton Police Department
Mike DeSain; Captain - Brighton Police Department
Felipe Hernandez; Executive Deputy Chief - Rochester Fire Department
Richard Tracy; Captain- Brighton Fire Department
Cody Dean; Chief – Brighton Ambulance
Mike Guyon; Commissioner of Public Works
Christopher Roth; Chief Fire Marshal

GUESTS

Councilmember Robin Wilt	Elizabeth Milliken
Kathy McCusker	Kristin Neufeld
Roger Boulay	Nancy Burns
Pete Boulay	

OPEN FORUM:

NETWORKING:

❖ Brighton Ambulance

- There have been approximately 5951 calls to date in 2019.
- November 525 Calls for Service with 98% coverage – 8% increase in call volume over 2018.
- The new ambulance is in service with “throwback graphics” modified paint scheme to celebrate Brighton Ambulance’s upcoming 35-year anniversary in 2021.

❖ Brighton Fire

- 2134 Calls for service to date in 2019 - decrease of 191 calls from 2018.
- Edgewood Avenue Accident

❖ DPW

- Plowing Snow and continued picking of leaves as weather permits.

❖ Brighton Police

- Over 52,000 Calls for service to date in 2019
- BPD is training 2 new hires after academy graduation
- BPD continues with traffic enforcement car to monitor and enforce vehicles exceeding the speed limit along Elmwood Avenue. Currently averaging about 100 tickets per month.

❖ Rochester Fire Department

- Recently took delivery of two new Aerial Ladder Trucks which places 6 in service within the City of Rochester.
- Recruit Firefighter class notification letter are being prepared.

❖ Town Council

- Brighton Fire District Commissioner elections held today (December 12th) at 3100 East Avenue fire station # 1 between 4pm – 9pm.

OLD BUSINESS:

RE MATTER: Discussion of school speed limits / review schedule of streets (§ 185-6. School speed limits) – Council person Corrado and the Commissioner of Public Works continue to investigate the use of school speed limits within the Town of Brighton. Target areas of concern are the 12 Corners and Elmwood Avenue.

RE MATTER: Traffic safety on S Winton Road at the BHS bus loop exit – Commissioner Guyon report that two (2) parking spaces are to be eliminated along Winton Road South to create better sight distance and safe turning opportunities. A letter will be drafted to Monroe County DOT detailing this request and proposed additional signage.

RE MATTER: Geothermal Well at Willard Ave. – Still received inquiries about methane gas smell from area residents. Geothermal well to be capped soon by contractor which will eliminate any lingering methane gas from escaping into the air. Continue to review other municipalities for possible assistance with adoption of regulations towards geothermal drilling operations.

RE MATTER: Brighton Fire Station #3 Update – A public meeting was held on November 21, 2019 at 7:00 PM to discuss Brighton Fire Station #3. At the meeting it was announced that the fire station would remain staffed and in operation for fire protection and emergency services. Some discussion about future pilot project and how this was to be conducted as staffing and response may be adjusted accordingly.

NEW BUSINESS:

RE MATTER: Traffic safety at Elmwood/David Ave./Johnsarbor Dr. intersection – Several residents of St John's Meadows addressed the committee about traffic speed and volume with concerns about turns in/out of St. Johns Meadows. Dr. Boulay stated that they are going to gather data and feedback from the residents. Dr. Boulay also asked about any suggestions about making this a safer intersection. Commissioner Guyon will forward a letter to Monroe County DOT asking for a traffic study and feasibility of a traffic light installation. This installation of a traffic control signal would be the financial responsibility of St Johns Meadows and a letter of support would be helpful as this study moves forward.

RE MATTER: Safe Exchange Zones – Brief discussion as to the possibility of establishing the safe exchange zones within the Town of Brighton, although a good idea there are several safety concerns about video monitoring and liability which at this time would not allow for the formation of these safe exchange zones to occur. Further discussion as there are many safe public locations already in the Town of Brighton and these merchandise exchanges have been success in the past without any of these established safety zones.

SET TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday January 14, 2020 @ 0800 Hours