



## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

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Councilmember Christopher Werner - Chairperson  
Councilmember Jason DiPonzio, Co-Chairperson

The Town of Brighton Public Safety Committee convened on Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at 08:00 hrs. in the Auditorium, Brighton Town Hall, 2300 Elmwood Avenue, Rochester, New York 14618.

### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Receive and file minutes of the November 14, 2023, meeting.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Supervisor William Moehle  
Councilmember Christopher Werner - Chairperson  
Councilmember Jason DiPonzio, Co-Chairperson  
David Catholdi, Chief, Brighton Police Department  
Mike DeSain, Deputy Chief, Brighton Police Department  
Mark Audino, Battalion Chief, Henrietta Fire District  
William Clark, Captain, Brighton Fire Department  
Jevon Tomaschko, Chief of Operations, Brighton Volunteer Ambulance  
Evert Garcia, Commissioner of Public Works  
Christopher Roth, Chief Fire Marshal, Town of Brighton

### **GUESTS**

Councilmember Christine Corrado  
Councilmember Robin Wilt  
Laurie Mahoney  
Jim Hooper

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

### **OPEN FORUM:**

Laurie Mahoney addressed the committee about Edgewood Avenue and pedestrian safety, please see new business for details.

Jim Hooper addressed the committee about utilities, particularly the water mains along West Henrietta Road corridor. The concern about water main replacement and maintenance by the MCWA and coordination with the pending NYSDOT West Henrietta Road improvement project. Discussion about

funding budgeted towards land acquisition project scope. This will remain a priority as the project continues to move forward and coordination of these utilities will need to be further reviewed.

## **NETWORKING:**

### **Brighton Ambulance**

The following information outlines the activities for Brighton Volunteer Ambulance for November 2023.

- Brighton Volunteer Ambulance received a total of 691 requests for service throughout the month of October, with a total of 561 being within the Brighton Ambulance District, with 300 Brighton Residents receiving services.
- A total of 138 requests for Mutual Aid were received for surrounding ambulance districts. Of those 118 requests, Brighton Volunteer Ambulance responded to 37 calls for Mutual Aid.
- Total Brighton Volunteer Ambulance requests for service up to December 1st is 7,746( a decrease of 1.5% from 2022 volume).

### **Brighton Fire Department**

- Approximately 2,367 calls year to date. Since the last meeting, calls of significance are as follows:
  - working fire Clover Street on 11/23
  - pedestrian struck on Edgewood Avenue with significant injuries on 12/1
  - working fire on Ashbourne Road on 12/1
- Commission election is today at Station 1 (3100 East Avenue) from 4PM to 9PM.
- Chief Hiller will step down from the Chief's office effective 1/1/24 and will be succeeded by Chief Stephen MacAdam.

### **Brighton DPW**

### **Brighton Police Department**

- Calls for service to end of November 2023: 46,560
- All of our end of year items

- Internal Audits
- Collecting of crime statistics
- Still working on RIT project

➤ Issuing hundreds of winter parking warnings

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## **Henrietta Fire District**

- YTD Calls (as of 11/30/23): 6,640
- YTD Calls in WB (as of 11/30/23): 888 (already exceeding last year's total)
- No calls of note in West Brighton
- We have seen an uptick in cooking related fires the last few weeks
- Full year review will be provided for the January 2024 meeting
- Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season

## **Town Council**

*No Report*

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

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**RE MATTER: Update** - Crosswalk - Highland Avenue: @ Grosvenor Rd, Pelham Rd, and Council Rock Ave.

**RE MATTER: Update** - Traffic signal at North Landing and Blossom Roads.

**RE MATTER: Update** - Country Club of Rochester – Fireworks Display

*This an annual event and post card mailings by CCR will be done and date will be posted to the TOB website.*

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**RE MATTER:** Edgewood Ave's aggressive drivers & potential solutions – DC Desain

*Laurie Mahoney addressed the committee about her concern about the lack of sidewalks along Edgewood Avenue and the safety of pedestrians. As a result of a recent accident the neighborhood is interested in the installation of sidewalks and crosswalks. This road would under the control on Monroe County DOT and Commissioner Garcia will brings these concerns raised to MCDOT attention and will probably result in an evaluation. In most cases, installation of a crosswalk would usually be part of a connection of sidewalks or trials.*

*Chief Catholdi reviewed the three "E"s (Education / Engineering / Enforcement) and will be launching an education campaign to include the Jewish Community Center and social media. He also pledged enforcement in the neighborhood as time and resources allow.*

**SET TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday January 9, 2024 @ 0800 Hours**