



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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Councilmember Christopher Werner - Chairperson
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The Town of Brighton Public Safety Committee convened on Tuesday, August 8, 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 July 11, 2023, meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

GUESTS

Councilmember Christine Corrado

COMMUNICATIONS:

OPEN FORUM:

NETWORKING:

Brighton Ambulance

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

- Brighton Volunteer Ambulance received a total of 687 requests for service throughout the month of July, with a total of 590 being within the Brighton Ambulance District, with 285 Brighton Residents receiving services.
- A total of 98 requests for Mutual Aid were received for surrounding ambulance districts. Of those 98 requests, Brighton Volunteer Ambulance responded to 29 calls for Mutual Aid.
- Code 32 reserve policy was applied 57 times, with 28 responses within the Brighton district at the time of application, showing 49% efficacy.
- Total Brighton Volunteer Ambulance requests for service up to August 1st is 4,930(an increase of 2.5% from 2022 volume).
- Collaborative meetings between the regional agency leaders are ongoing.

Brighton Fire Department

- Approx 1580 calls YTD
- Since the last meeting there was a working fire on Orchard Drive (July 19)
- Asst Chief Mike Sands will be moving out of the area next week and the District will be naming a replacement; we'd like to thank Chief Sands for his 17 years of service to the residents and guests of the District and wish he and his wife Tammy well in their new endeavors

Brighton DPW

Paving projects continue along Parson and Whitney Lane were recently paved and Antlers was recently milled in addition to Meadow and Elwell.

We have an upcoming "Mighty Motors" event like an open house for Department of Public Works on Thursday August 17th.

Sidewalk work should be starting soon as the contractor is finishing a project out of town.

Brighton Police Department

Calls for service to end of July 2023: 29,887

- August 8th Open House tonight 5p- 8p
- August 14th -20th - Speed Awareness Week, a high-visibility mobilization aimed at reducing incidence of speed-related crashes.
- September 24th Public Safety Day at Farmer's Market
- Used new UTV to assist in locating missing person (Buckland Pk search & Canal Trail by S. Winton)
- Located sole ATV rider from S. Winton Rd. and issued traffic citations.
- Klink Road Zero Crashes since 2019

Henrietta Fire District

- YTD Calls (as of 7/31/23): 4,063
- YTD Calls in WB (as of 6/30/23): 522.
- No calls of note in West Brighton

- 6 new firefighters have started, and the academy starts 8/21
- New mechanic has started.

Town Council

No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

RE MATTER: Update - Pedestrian and Turn Signals – Westfall, Winton, Monroe, Edgewood, Torrington, Allens Creek.

No Update

RE MATTER: Update – Town Road speed reduction. Report on search for expert for street analysis.

The study is completed and will be presenting the report to the Town Board to receive and file and set a public hearing date in approximately 4 weeks. Commissioner Garcia is working with the Town of Brighton Highway sign shop with anticipation to have signage installed as soon as possible after the public hearing.

RE MATTER: Update- Signage Request - 830 Landing Road North - Carlos A. Gonzalez

Commissioner Garcia reviewed the request against the Federal Highway guidelines and reported back that the requested child with autism sign did not meet the minimum criteria for installation. Although the sign is not recommended to installation the posted speed limit for all Type I and select Type II roads within the Town of Brighton may be lowered to 25 mph soon as recommendation through the recent town wide traffic study. This matter will be considered closed and removed from the agenda.

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

Commissioner Garcia again reminded the committee that there is no policy in place, and we should consider reviewing the County of Monroe and others to establish a policy as this could affect other aspects such as cost and safety. Many of these established policies refer to Federal Highway Authority guidelines with distance and pedestrian counts. Commissioner to share the Monroe County policy for review and will also be meeting with the Town of Penfield as they are working on a similar program for adoption.

RE MATTER: Update- Review of Potential RRFB Crossings Map – Garcia

Monroe County has the list for these RRFB crossings and will report back when completed, this could take a few months as previously indicated due to high demand and backlog for review of these type of crossings.

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

Continue to discuss these interactions with NYSDOT and may suggest as an alternative that due to sight distances installation of a traffic control light may be installed at the bottom of the hill on Blossom Road. Commissioner Garcia will continue to monitor this request and report back any changes or responses from NYSDOT.

RE MATTER: Update- 4 way stop sign @ the corner of Templeton Rd & Wilshire Road – DC Desain

Commissioner Garcia reviewed the request against the Federal Highway guidelines and reported back that a stop sign should not be used for speed enforcement but rather to designate right of way.

RE MATTER: Update- ATVs driving on Town of Brighton highways.

Brighton Police have connected with the single ATV rider and advised about riding along street within the Town of Brighton. This matter will be considered closed and removed from the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

RE MATTER: Speeding on Klink Road - Visibility Ellison Avenue

Commissioner Garcia to review visibility concerns and will report back to the complainant about potential lack of speed limit postings. Recommend that speed enforcement continue as time and resources allow.

RE MATTER: “Children at Play” sign request Bastian Road

This request does not meet the federal highway requirements for installation based on certain criteria. Commissioner Garcia will follow up with the resident to explain this criterion and does not recommend installation at this time.

SET TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday September 12. 2023 @ 0800 Hours