

Public Safety Commission Meeting
April 28th 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Bob Smith, James Christian, John Koester, Andrew Fields, Barbara West, Jeff Lofton, Ed Meier

Visitor: James Carroll

Members congratulated the newly elected members of the Board of Aldermen. We also extend an invitation to attend any of our meetings.

We acknowledged the Youth Commission will be having their annual Bike Rodeo on Saturday, May 14th. There was some discussion on the proposed plan to have people do community service in lieu of paying court fines. The city judge will have to approve the program. There are several other details to be worked out before the program can start.

New Business:

The committee would like representatives of the Bellefontaine Neighbors Police Department and the Riverview Fire Protection District to attend the meetings. As first responders, they have a unique insight into public safety concerns. Also, we were informed Keith Goldstein will become the new Fire Chief on May 17th. There will be a retirement celebration for Chief Bommarito on May 19th.

There was a discussion on reinvigorating the Neighborhood Watch program. Schools will be letting out soon. There should be more effort put into promoting youth programs through the Parks Department and Matthews Dickey.

A question was asked when the restrooms in City parks are locked for the night. Also, who is responsible for locking them?

Mr. Carroll was asked if he had anything to say, he declined.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be May 26, 2016.

John Koester, Acting Secretary