

## **Public Safety Commission Meeting June 23, 2016**

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

**Members Present:** Jim Christian (acting Chairman), Bob Smith, Barbara West, John Koester, Jeff Lofton, and Shirley Paro (Board of Alderman representative)

**Visitors:** Riverview Fire Chief Keith Goldstein, Captain Kyle Robertson, EMT Tech Jenny Swatek

### **Old Business:**

Shirley Paro updated the Committee on the Board of Aldermen's response to our questions on the problem of dangerous dogs. There was a proposed ordinance to bring the City's law in line with the County ordinance. There was no vote on that ordinance. The City ordinance is generally in line with the Missouri state law. The consensus is that the current law is adequate.

There was a repeated call for residents to report burned out street lights. Residents should report the pole's serial number to City Hall. The number is located on a plaque on the pole.

There was some more discussion on not blocking lines of sight at intersections. Landscaping or plants should be far enough away from corners so that oncoming vehicles are visible.

### **New Business:**

Chief Goldstein reported the Riverview Fire district has received the new Fire Truck; the crews are being trained on the vehicle. It should be in service in mid-July, and will be stationed at the Fire House on Diamond Drive.

The Chief also wants to remind residents not to park their vehicles too far from the curb. Cars parked across the street from each other can make a "tight fit" for emergency vehicles. This may be a problem if crews from a neighboring district are responding to a call. It can be assumed that crews responding under a mutual aid situation are not as familiar with BN streets.

One of the long term eyesore (but legal) cars has gone away.

Reminder, fireworks ARE PROHIBITED in Bellefontaine Neighbors. The Veterans Home will be having a fireworks display June 25<sup>th</sup> starting around 8:00p.m. Bellefontaine Methodist Church will be having a BBQ supper on their parking lot, which has an excellent view of the fireworks.

Barbara West raised concerns about homes with more residents than are listed on occupancy permits. This becomes a more obvious problem in summer since children are out of school. The fact many of the extra residents are children increases the difficulty in proving residency. Chief Goldstein said the Fire Department has limited jurisdiction over residential property. Concerned citizens should document as much as they can before calling City Hall or PD.

Chief Goldstein has provided Alderwoman Paro with information on the Safe Place program. There are apparently two programs; one for juveniles and one for adults.

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thurs, July 28, 2016

John Koester, Acting Secretary