

## Public Safety Commission Meeting August 25, 2016

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

**Members Present:** Juanita Best, Bob Smith, John Koester, Jeff Lofton, Ed Meier, and James Christian

**Visitors Present:** Alderman Shirley Paro, Keith Goldstein, RFD, Cpl. Herndon/BNPD, Wanda Lane, James Carroll, Barbara Jackson, and Clarence Wilson

### **Old Business:**

**Signage at City Parks:** Ed Meier brought up the status of signs at City Parks, specifically Klein Park. Alderman Paro replied "No Liquor" signs had been placed, but the park hours had not been posted. She also said Ruler Foods was going to do some landscaping there. The main problem now is the small 'airplane bottle' containers littering at both Klein Park and the Bissell House.

**Crosswalks:** Ed Meier commented on the need for a painted crosswalk at Bissell Park on Ashbrook. Alderman Paro said she would mention to the Traffic Department that there was resurfacing scheduled for that area and the special paint, needed for striping roads, was fairly expensive. There was also some discussion of crosswalks on St. Cyr by Matthews-Dickey, but that will have to be worked out with Saint Louis County.

### **New Business:**

Bob Smith mentioned the American Legion will be installing a receptacle for worn out American Flags at City Hall. The flags will be collected, and then disposed of in an appropriate ceremony.

Chief Goldstein announced the Fire Department had a new policy on CPR rescues at accidents. The new system is called Pit Crew CPR and is being instituted with Christian Hospital. It involves CPR being given to the patient over a longer time period. He, also, mentioned Moline Acres will be starting work on their side streets next week. This led to a general discussion of keeping streets clear for fire equipment and service vehicles. The police radios are now digital and may use encrypted transmissions when needed.

The subject of fireworks, over the Fourth of July Holidays, was discussed again. Alderman Paro only received negative comments from other public officials when she suggested an attempt to amend current county laws. Cpl. Herndon explained the pros and cons of issuing tickets and summons over fireworks violations. One suggestion was a 'no fireworks' signage campaign before next year's holiday. This led to an inconclusive discussion of the pros and cons of the current policy on warnings, tickets, and summons.

The meeting ended at 7:20 p.m.

The next meeting will be on Sept. 22, 2016

John Koester, Acting Secretary