

Public Safety Commission Meeting

January 24, 2019, at 6:30 p.m.

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

Members Present: John Koester, Kelvin Green, Hosea Harville, Alderwoman Barbara West, and Chief Ihler.

Old Business:

New Business:

Fire Department Report: No members were present.

Police Report: Chief Ihler reported there has been a marked increase in the number of car thefts. He attributed this to people warming up their cars while they remain in their homes. The Police Department is requesting funds from the Board of Aldermen to send two officers to a training course. The course is a 'Train the Trainers' for a new live action training program. The Chief is starting to work on the budget for the upcoming Fiscal Year.

The Committee heard a presentation from Tina Zimmerman, who is a professional grant consultant. There was a long discussion on what sort of projects we should consider, the paperwork hoops applicants must meet, and other considerations. One of the points brought up was that regional projects had a better chance of being funded. Her company charges a onetime start up fee, then charges by the hour and the amount of work required. She would present a bid to do this work. Alderwoman West will set up a meeting with members of the Board of Aldermen, John Koester, the City Engineer, and Tina Zimmerman to look at details.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

The next meeting will be February 28, 2019.

John Koester