

Public Safety Commission Meeting

March 28, 2019, at 6:30 p.m.

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

Members Present: John Koester, Susan Berck, Chief Ihler, Lt. Jason Herndon

Absent: Jeff Lofton, due to medical reasons

Visitors:

Police Department Report: Chief Ihler reported traffic accidents are still occurring at a high level. There are still many car thefts because people continue to leave their cars unattended with the engines running.

Fire Department Report: There was no Fire Department Report.

Old Business:

The chairman talked with St. Louis County Police about the shot spotter system used in Moline Acres and soon to be in Spanish Lake. The city would have to have contract with the firm operating the system. The estimated cost would be several hundred thousand dollars a year. At this time, there are no grants to help pay for this system.

New Business:

The Fourth of July Holidays are approaching. We remind everyone that shooting off fireworks is illegal and suggest people attend one of the numerous public fireworks displays throughout the area. The new City Budget process will be starting soon.

Public Comments:

Several Residents of the Fourth Ward had comments and questions about crime prevention in their neighborhood. One comment was for residents to keep lights on in both their front and back yards, and to report suspicious activity to the police.

In a related matter, there was a suggestion that more information be posted on Nextdoor Bellefontaine.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 25th, 2019.

John Koester
Acting Secretary