

Minutes – Public Safety Committee Meeting

Thursday, October 23, 2014

Roll Call – 6:30 PM:

- Present: Chairman Ed Meier, Barbara West, and Alderman Rep. Willis Dillworth

Old Business:

- 1) Parking on the street at Green Acres Road near Bellefontaine Road:
 - a. As reported by resident Mr. Bill Krenn; parking on both sides of the street may constrict the road to a point of being impassable. Some of the residents are particularly concerned that this will stop emergency vehicles from getting into the sub-division when responding to emergencies.
 - i. Chairman Meier and Alderman Dillworth met with Mr. Krenn to look into the matter. They determined that this is a valid concern; and the recommendation of the Committee would be to install no parking signs on one side of the road leading into the sub-division. However, Chairman Meier expressed that this is a private road and he's not sure if the City has the authority to have the signs installed. We agreed to seek the Mayor's and City Attorney's advice on this matter.

New Business:

- 1) Election of new Committee Chairman and Co-Chairman:
 - a. Not having a quorum, the election was postponed due to low meeting attendance.
- 2) As reported by resident Andrew Fields; drivers speeding on Duenke; sometimes in excess of 35 – 40 MPH. In addition he reports that the drivers revving up their engines is a noise nuisance:
 - a. Mr. Fields suggested some measures to help with the problem:
 - i. Install speed bumps at intervals along the street:
 1. The Committee discussed this; however, it is not recommended at this time due to the issues speed bumps may cause for snow removal.
 - ii. Post another speed limit sign at some point along the road:
 1. The Committee saw no issues with this and makes the recommendation that the City post an additional speed limit sign along the street. In addition, the Committee suggests that a "Children at Play" sign also be posted.
 - iii. Post a loud noise prohibited sign along the road:
 1. The Committee saw no issues with this and makes the recommendation to the City to post a sign to this effect.
 - b. The Committee also discussed the possibility of posting a Stop sign at Duenke and Edgewater, in addition to setting up speed traps if the residents know the time of day the speeding is most consistent.
- 3) Committee member Barbara West expressed a concern that some of the street lights in her area appear to be dimming. In addition to this, she asked about the procedure to have

additional lights installed. Chairman Meier mentioned that the lights are owned by Ameren; but was uncertain about the procedure to have additional lights installed. The members in attendance agreed to research the procedure so we will at least know the procedure. For the lights that appear to be dimming, Mrs. West was informed about the number on the pole she can use to report the issue.

Adjournment: 7:11 PM

Next Meeting: January 22, 2015