

## **MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING 9/19/2024**

**Date and Time:** 9/19/2024 05:30 pm

**Time:**

**Present:** Jay Hickman, Bill Nigus, Valerie Sebacher, Assistant Fire Chief Todd Gray, Assistant Police Chief Dall Hedges, Mayor Steve Myers, Councilmember Bill Hinchie, Director of Administration Courtney L. Doyle, Chief of Police Bill Ladwig, Fire Chief Russell Sing, City Clerk Kathie Ratliff, and Deputy City Clerk Marissa Peneston

**Absent:** City Engineer Kyle Bruemmer and Councilmember Mary Rehkla

**Location:** Fulton City Hall

### **DISCUSSION**

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Public Safety Commission meeting was called to order at 5:28 p.m.

#### **2. ROLL CALL**

There were five members present, and no members were absent. Quorum met.

#### **3. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS**

There were no comments.

#### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Decision** Motion was made by Dall Hedges and Seconded by Bill Nigus to approve the August 29, 2024 minutes. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

#### **5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

##### **Speeding on Gregory Lane**

Speed radar signs have been placed on Gregory Lane and are collecting data. The radar signs flash the driver's speed if they are speeding. The police department has increased monitoring in the area as well.

##### **Big Truck Parking on Streets**

It was determined that the current City Code we have regarding commercial vehicles parking in residential areas is sufficient.

##### **Recreational Vehicle Parking**

Much discussion was had on how to address the issue of these types of vehicles parking on city streets. Suggestions of creating an ordinance that addresses vehicles by length, type, and width of the street were all deliberated. For the time being, it was decided to leave the current code as is and revisit this topic in the future if it causes a larger issue.

##### **Other**

There was no other unfinished business.

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

### **Brush Overgrowth on 10<sup>th</sup> and West Ave.**

Complaints from citizens have been received, overgrown wildflowers impede the line of sight to the road. Planning and Protective Services team will reach out and address this issue.

### **Overview of Ordinances sent to Council**

All of the ordinances that have been sent to the City Council have been approved except for one. Making the intersection of 5<sup>th</sup> Street and State Street into a four-way stop was rejected by the council initially. After further review and discussion with the State hospital and police department, the ordinance was given a new bill number and placed back on the agenda. It will be presented for second reading on October 8<sup>th</sup>. The speed limit on Claymine Drive has not been presented to the council yet.

### **Other**

Driving safety programs were discussed. It has been many years since driver education was taught in high schools and because of this there seems to be a lack of education for new drivers. There are also a lot more distractions for drivers than in previous years. The police department has hosted two First Impact programs. First Impact is a free traffic safety program that educates drivers with the goal of reducing new driver crashes.

## **7. NEXT MEETING**

The Public Safety Commission is scheduled to meet again on Thursday, October 24, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

## **8. ADJOURN**

**Decision** Motion was made by Dall Hedges and Seconded by Bill Nigus to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 p.m. The motion carried with all members voting in favor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marissa Peneston  
Deputy Clerk