

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING 10/24/2024

Date and Time: 10/24/2024 05:30 pm

Time:

Present: Bill Nigus, Valerie Sebacher, Assistant Fire Chief Todd Gray, Assistant Police Chief Dall Hedges, Mayor Steve Myers, Chief of Police Bill Ladwig, Fire Chief Russell Sing, and City Clerk Kathie Ratliff

Absent: Jay Hickman, City Engineer Kyle Bruemmer, Police Chief Bill Ladwig, Councilmember Mary Rehkla, and Councilmember Bill Hinchie

Location: Fulton City Hall

DISCUSSION

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Public Safety Commission meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Valerie Sebacher.

2. ROLL CALL

There were four members present, Hickman absent. Quorum met.

3. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

There were no comments.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Decision Motion was made by Todd Gray and Seconded by Bill Nigus to approve the September 19, 2024 minutes. Motion carried with four members voting in favor, one absent (Hickman).

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Speeding on Gregory Lane

A brief update was shared with the Commission. The Police Chief and City Engineer Bruemmer confirmed that while monitoring and patrol efforts took place, no speeding issues were found in the area.

Other

There was no other unfinished business.

6. NEW BUSINESS

West 6th Street Discussion

A citizen raised a concern about speeding on West 6th Street between Jefferson and Westminster, particularly in an area where children play. They suggested adding speed bumps or making the street one-way. Several members of the commission expressed opposition to the one-way option, noting that the street already functions similarly due to parking on both sides and has a 20 mph speed limit. Mayor Myers observed that the area has many college students, while Gray added that, apart from a few children on the Jefferson houses side, it primarily consists of college-age rentals.

The commission proposed responding to the citizen with appreciation, offering to monitor the situation with increased patrols. They also recommended asking City Engineer Bruemmer to move the radar pole to that area. Additionally, the group suggested consulting with Traffic about the location of speed limit signs and possibly adding more for better visibility.

Other

The commission briefly discussed the intersection of Hickman and 7th in response to a citizen's concern. While they understood the citizen's worries, it was noted that the issue had recently been addressed at another Public Safety Commission meeting, where they reaffirmed that adding a stop sign would cause overall congestion in the area.

7. NEXT MEETING

The Public Safety Commission is scheduled to meet again on Thursday, November 21, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

8. ADJOURN

Decision Motion was made by Bill Nigus and Seconded by Dall Hedges to adjourn the meeting at 5:48 p.m. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathie Ratliff
City Clerk