

Public Safety Committee  
Wednesday, March 6, 2019 6:00 p.m.  
Regular Meeting  
**Common Council Chambers**  
**31 South Madison Street**

**MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order.** Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Dianne Duggan.
2. **Roll Call.** Members present: Dianne Duggan and Larry Dobbs. Others present: Police Chief Scott McElroy, EMS Chief Jamie Kessenich, City Administrator Ian Rigg, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Samantha Jozefowicz. Absent: James Montgomery.
3. **Agenda.** A motion was made by Dobbs, seconded by Duggan, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion was approved 2-0.
4. **Minutes.** A motion was made by Dobbs, seconded by Duggan, to approve the February 6, 2019 Public Safety regular meeting minutes. Motion was approved 2-0.
5. **Citizen appearances.** None.
6. **Old Business.** None.
7. **New Business.**
  - A. A motion was made by Duggan, seconded by Dobbs, to approve the Original Operators License application for:
    1. Brenda K Hunt, 2. Rusty R Thompson. Motion was approved 2-0.
- **Police Department Report.** McElroy gave the monthly report covering the training for officers. EPD staff gave a school presentation at the high school for the Freshman Summit on safety, human trafficking, vaping and out social host ordinance. EPD staff and BASE attended “A Time to Thrive Conference” on LGBT awareness and education in Anaheim, California. “Project Direct Connect” is a new initiative to provide immediate and direct radio contact between schools and law enforcement in case of an emergency or exigent circumstances and to ensure there is effective radio communication capability within the schools. Each school will purchase police radios programmed with 2 channels. EPD staff started to update the personnel and equipment for the Emergency Operations Plan. Chief McElroy sent our out of date copy to all department heads January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Ian and I met with the Evansville Community School District administration team February 5<sup>th</sup> and again March 5<sup>th</sup>. The school district has indicated they are receptive to the idea of a School Resource Officer (SRO) potentially in 2020 at the earliest. They would like to maintain dialog with city staff and get some cost proposals, details worked out, etc., with the city. We are scheduled to meet again June. Officer Hernandez will be back on patrol duty Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> with a few restrictions. The new 2019 squad is in service. We have ordered a new 2020 Ford Explorer to replace the totaled 2015. It should arrive in July or later. Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> the new dictation system is scheduled for install. This was budgeted for in 2019. The new steel doors are installed and being painted this week. Charter Communications was here March 5<sup>th</sup> to install new phone lines and a basic cable TV package. The install is not yet finished. Calls for February were 946 in

2019; and 873 in 2018. Number of license plate transactions for February 2019 were 28.

8. **EMS Report.** Kessenich distributed the EMS monthly report. 61 calls for service in the month of February 2019. There were 46 calls for service in February 2018. 2018 to Date-Total was 88 and 2019 to Date-Total is 123. EMT's completed Module #3 for EMT Refresher training. Hired 1 new EMT, who will attend affiliation next week. Additionally, have 2 individuals who will complete EMT class in May and have expressed interest in joining our department. More interested people looking to attend classes this summer and fall 2019 semester all from our Facebook post for an EMT position. Continue to have interest from members of the Evansville Fire Department to become EMT's and a member of the EMS as well. One is currently in an EMT class. One is looking to attend class this summer and one is looking to attend the fall 2019 semester. Getting ready for our new ambulance and what needs to be done to prepare for this: list of equipment transferring to new ambulance from current 642 (reinstall), graphics that will be used, MDT mounts, radios and Chevron on the rear of the ambulance.
9. **Meeting Reminder:** Next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 3, 2019, 6:00 pm.
10. **Motion to adjourn.** Motion by Dobbs, second by Duggan, to adjourn at 6:11 pm. Motion approved 3-0.

Samantha Jozefowicz  
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

*The minutes are not official until approved by the Public Safety Committee at the next regular meeting.*