

## **Public Safety Committee- Minutes**

**Meeting Date: May 20, 2019**

**Meeting Location: City Hall**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Harrison

**Time Called to Order:** 5:30 PM

### **Attendance:**

Chairman Harrison, Councilman Collier, Councilman Newport, Councilman West, Mayor Rife, Administrator Short, Chief Dagnan, Chief Williams.

Citizen/Other: Morgan Housh, David Thorn, Linda Pugh, Alan Snow, Juan Topete, Ceri Otero, Sarah Manzer, Mike Daugherty, Abi Almandinger.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Councilman Snow made the motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as written. Motion passed.

### **CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

1. Due to the weather Terri Hill left the meeting. Councilman Harrison spoke with Terri before she left. Abi Almandinger spoke with the committee shortly about the feral cats and the committee discussed how the feral cat ordinance was going to be repealed. The second reading will be next Tuesday at the Council meeting. No actions were taken place at this meeting.

2. Juan Topete discussed the Conservation Department Kids Fishing Day to be held on Saturday, June 8, 2019 at Kellogg Lake from 8:00am to 12:00 noon. This event will be held the same as in the years past. He is requesting the same road closures. Councilman Collier made a motion to proceed with Kids Fishing Day as in previous years. Motion was passed.

3. David Thorn discussed the 20th Annual British Car Show. The car show will be held the same as it has been in the past years. This year the event will take place on Saturday, June 8, 2019. The Square will be closed from 5:00am to 3:00pm with the cars parking backwards into the parking spots. Councilman Snow made a motion to move to full council and approve for the closure of the square and backwards parking for the 20th Annual British car show on June 8th as in years past. Motion was passed.

4. Linda Pugh and the First Baptist Church is requesting street closures for the block of Sycamore between Garrison and McGregor (between the Fire Department and First Baptist Church) for Vacation Bible School Community Block Party from 12:00 noon to 10:00 pm on June 7, 2019. Same as years past. Councilman Newport made a motion to close and vacate the block of Sycamore Street between Garrison and McGregor from noon to 10:00pm on June 7th

for the block party. Motion was passed.

5. Sarah Mazer is requesting the inside of the Square to be closed on Friday, June 21, 2019 from 4:30pm to 9:00pm for a Farmer's & Artisan Market. She discussed with the committee how she would like to make this a monthly event if possible. Councilman Snow made a motion to close the inside of the Square on June 21st from 4:30pm to 9:00pm for the Farmers & Artisan Market contingent upon Mrs. Manzer supplying Chief Dagnan with the proper insurance. Motion passed.

6. Heather Finney was not present to present inflatable on Maple Leaf.

7. Tammy Stark was not present to present parking concern on Fulton and Central.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Police Department**

a) Chief Dagnan spoke with the committee how there was a Six Circuit Court of Appeals which ruled tire chalking unconstitutional and considered tracking vehicles. Which is based on the idea that it is tracking a vehicle which is not expected to commit a crime. Carthage is not in the Six Circuit however, Chief Dagnan discussed how there is some strong language in it how chalking tires is the same as putting a GPS tracker on the vehicle which is clearly unconstitutional. It is in the appeals court right now. The City Attorney and the City's insurance Attorney agrees with Chief Dagnan to suspend tracking any vehicle in any two-hour parking spots. It will still be handled on a complaint basis. There is still a City Ordinance that states vehicles can only be parked in those spots for two-hours. The ordinance has not been changed. He suggests that we see what the courts say. No motion was needed.

### **2. Fire Department**

a) Chief Williams spoke shortly with the committee on Station 2 update and how a new employee has been hired. The weather has also been a concern over the last few days.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilman Snow made a motion to adjourn. Motion passed.

**Next Meeting Date: June 17, 2019**

**Next Meeting Location: Carthage City Hall-Upstairs Conference Room**