

Public Safety Minutes
Thursday, July 22, 2021

6:30 PM

Juneau Public Safety Building - 128 E Cross St, Juneau WI 53039

Public Safety Members: Mayor Daniel Wegener, John Schuster, Richard Evans
Members absent: Jane Fude
Also invited: Dave Beal, Curt Ninmann, Dan Zank, Jennifer Dominik, Catherine Firari
Citizens present:

1. **Approve the Public Safety Agenda:** Motion by J. Schuster, second by R. Evans to approve the July 22, 2021, Public Safety agenda. Motion carried.
2. **Review and Approve Minutes from May 20, 2021:** Motion by R. Evans, second by J. Schuster to approve the May 20, 2021, Public Safety minutes. Motion carried.
3. **Citizens Wishing to be Heard:** Let the record show that there were no citizens wishing to be heard.
4. **Police Chief:**
 - a. **Monthly Report for May and June 2021:** Chief Beal passed out the May & June monthly report. Chief Beal introduced Jennifer Dominik as she will be replacing Cathy Firari upon her retirement. Jennifer was a law enforcement officer for 5 years, as well as a dispatcher and did social work. Chief Beal stated that it is good to have someone who is knowledgeable with social work on staff working with the JPD. Chief Beal stated that he did not realize all that Cathy does at her job until hearing her train, Jennifer. The current utility bills had a flyer in them to try and get future crossing guards. Even if someone can only work in the mornings or afternoons to fill in would be great.
 - b. **Information:**
 - **National Night Out on August 3, 2021, from 5pm until 8pm:** This event will be held down at the Public Safety Building, 128 E Cross Street. The Fire/EMS and Police Department along with the Department of Public Works, Library, Recreation Department and Juneau Utility Department will be there as well.
 - **9/11 parade starting at 8pm:** The parade will be held on Saturday night September 11, 2021. Chief Ninmann stated that this is the 20th year since the attack. There are trying to get 411 marchers that will include citizens, firefighter wives, family, and friends. The number 411 is the number of people who had died in the 9/11 attack.
5. **EMS:**
 - a. **Monthly Report for May and June 2021:** EMS Coordinator Dan Zank passed out the May and June 2021 monthly report. There was a total of 26 calls for May 2021 compared to 34 calls in May of 2020. June 2021 had 42 calls, the same amount as June 2020. Fundraiser is coming along, only need \$2,200 needed to be raised. EMS is still looking for people.

Mayor Wegener brought up as to who makes the call for paramedic intercepts. The mayor does not think that a Dodge County Deputy/officer should make the call until EMS arrives on scene even if they are the first to arrive. If Juneau does not have a crew, then Beaver Dam Paramedic's are called and the cost for that call is \$850.00. If Juneau does have a crew but needs Beaver Dam Paramedics, then the cost is \$350.00. When Beaver Dam Paramedics are called, and the call is cancelled, Juneau is billed \$350.00 for that call as well. Zank stated that there will be a Dodge County EMS meeting coming up within the next few weeks where this will be addressed. Zank stated that Watertown Paramedics do not charge if the call is cancelled.

- b. **Discuss and approve coverage agreement with Horicon EMS:** Zank stated that the City of Juneau EMS has been working with the City of Horicon EMS when a full crew is not available and vis verse. This has all been verbal in the past, however would like to get an agreement signed by both the City of Juneau and City of Horicon to continue this. Mayor Wegener stated that this is good for the city since Horicon is close compared to Beaver Dam that is further away. Zank stated that when Beaver Dam is called to Juneau the city is billed \$850 besides the patient being billed.

Motion by J. Schuster, second by R Evans to recommend to the common council to approve the Coverage Agreement with the City of Horicon contingent upon the city attorney's approval. Motion carried.

6. Fire Chief:

- a. **Monthly Report for May and June 2021:** Fire Chief Ninmann passed out the May and June monthly report. There was a total of 12 calls. Fire Department is also looking for new members as the average age of the department is around 55 and would like to get younger people. Ninmann also stated that the Fire Department is also looking at getting automatic aid with other communities due to shortage of manpower.

7. Emergency Government Director:

- a. **Monthly Report:** EG Director Beal had no monthly report. Mayor asked if sirens were still working, and they are.

8. Future agenda items: There were not future agenda items.

9. Old Business: John Schuster brought up that at the council meeting a resolution was passed that did not come before the Public Safety Committee. Chief Beal stated that he has spoken with Shawn Hart, Clerk/Treasurer regarding this and that the wording on the resolution should read differently when not recommended by a committee and worded that it was approved by the department head.

10. New Business: A resident sent a letter to the city regarding the truck traffic on E. Center Street. This item has been passed along from different committees and has now come before the Public Safety Committee. It was discussed about putting "NO TRUCK TRAFFIC" signs on Miller Street at the June 30, 2021, Public Works meeting. Chief Beal stated that putting signs up on Miller Street will not address or fix the problem that is happening on E. Center Street. This item is also being placed on the Utility Commission agenda where they can see if there is any damage to the underground infrastructure. Chief Beal stated that putting signs up is not needed at this point. Mayor asked what could be done to reroute truck traffic E. Center Street. Chief Beal stated that contact would have to be made with someone at Menards. Contact should be made with the Dodge County Highway Commissioner, Brian Field. No further action taken.

11. Set Date and Time for Next Meeting: Thursday, August 26, 2021, at 6:30 pm:

12. Adjourn: Motion by J. Schuster, second by R. Evans to adjourn the Public Safety meeting at 7:03 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes by
Catherine Firari, Administrative Assistant