

Personnel and Public Safety Committee Meeting
Monday, November 6, 2023
6:00 pm

MINUTES

Committee: Chairwoman, Ms. Burckley, Ms. Webb, and Mr. Weiss

Mayor Urscheler

Staff: Mr. Krack, Ms. Getzfread, LT MacIntyre, Chief Brazunas, and Ms. Donato. Deputy Chief Dixon – TowerDIRECT

I. Call to Order at 6:07 pm

II. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items.

None

III. Committee Member Updates/Discussions

Mr. Weiss thanked the Mayor and the Police Department for the tour they gave to the Scouts.

Ms. Burckley noted that she met with the HRC and they are focusing on diversity programs and training.

Ms. Webb noted she has received concerns from residents regarding traffic on Fillmore and Franklin Streets.

IV. New Business

A. Review Monthly Fire and Ambulance Reports.

Chief Brazunas provided additional information regarding call volume.

B. Consider request from Jon Ichter for appointment to the HARB for the vacant term expiring August 31, 2025.

Mr. Ichter provide background on why he was interested in serving on the HARB.

Mr. Weiss made a Motion to recommend Borough Council appoint Mr. Ichter to the vacant term expiring August 31, 2025. Seconded by Ms. Webb. Motion passed 3-0.

C. Call for Residents interested in being appointed to various Boards and Commissions. Current vacancies exist on the HARB, Tree Advisory Commission, Civil Service Commission, and Human Relations Commission.

Ms. Burckley announced the vacancies and encouraged residents to apply for the various openings.

D. Discuss changing Coll Drive direction of travel.

Mr. Krack stated the report was not yet finalized and should be ready for the next meeting. Mr. Weiss asked that if there is no meeting in December, that the committee members receive the report so they can inform the residents of the projected timeline.

E. Discuss traffic on Fillmore Street.

Mr. Krack provided background on the draft Ordinance which would provide for No Parking, Standing or Stopping along Fillmore Street between Utley Alley and Franklin Avenue. He stated this action is being recommended as the administration at Renaissance Academy have not been able to remediate the problem during student drop off and pick up. He stated this would go to Policy Committee next.

Ms. Burckley asked that every effort be made to alert all concerned of the impending action as can be done.

F. Motion to cancel the December 4 Meeting.

Mr. Weiss made a Motion to cancel the meeting. Seconded by Ms. Webb. Motion passed 3-0.

V. Current Focus Business

A. PXV Inside Out

Mr. Krack provided recommendations from Staff regarding actions that can be taken to address many of the business concerns should Council decide to continue the program.

B. Recruitment and retention incentives.

Ms. Donato noted Staff continues to work on various recommendations.

C. Emergency Management.

Chief Brazunas reported they will be making upgrades to the EOC Trailer including adding a portable generator.

D. Community Policing

Nothing new to report.

VI. Public Participation

David Saneck gave praise to the emergency responders regarding a porch fire at the house on Franklin Avenue last week. He also asked for information regarding the discussion earlier on Fillmore Street.

VII. Executive Session

None

VIII. Adjournment at 6:50 pm by Ms. Webb.

Next Meeting Date: Monday, January 8, 2024 at 6:00 pm.