

**City of Washington
Public Safety Committee Meeting
March 16, 2020**

Chairman Butler called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Voting Members present:

Chairman- Brian Butler, Alderman-Brett Adams Alderman

Voting Members not present:

Alderman Randall Black

Other Officials present:

Mayor Manier, Alderman Lilija Stevens, Alderman Daniel Cobb, Alderman Mike Brownfield, City Administrator Ray Forsythe, Chief of Police Michael D. McCoy, Deputy Chief Jeff Stevens, WFD Chief Roger Traver, WFD Paramedic Jeremy Doerr, WFD Board Member Kevin Byrd, and Administrative Assistant Linda Storer.

Residents present:

John Amdall & Sharon Amdall, Toni Minton

1. Alderman wishing to be heard on a non-agenda item:

None

2. Citizen wishing to be heard on non-agenda items:

None

3. Approval of Minutes February 17, 2020

Motion to approve requested by Chairman Butler – Alderman Adams motioned, 2nd Chairman Butler.

4. Business Items:

A. Pool Vehicle Replacement – used vehicle criteria. (4) Dealerships contacted as described. Asking the Committee to recommend an amount not to exceed \$22,350. There is already an accrued amount in MERF of \$24,098.

Motion to recommend by Alderman Adams and 2nd by Chairman Butler.

B. New Squad Equipment Purchase – Sole source/a local vendor works on our vehicles. Two to three years ago looked into another Tazewell County vendor. Wasn't feasible. Current vendor has provided identical equipment as often as possible. We are looking to the Committee to approve a single source authorization. We have money up until this but will keep up with the MERF Fleet Fund. C/A Forsythe supports PD keeping the 2 vehicles already in the fleet and the addition of the new vehicles which have already been purchased. If down the road we are going to do a large amount of business, we will bid out to other sources.

Motion by Chairman Butler – Alderman Adams motioned and Chairman Butler 2nd.

- C. Coronavirus Update – Delivered letters to all liquor establishments advising to cease at close of business today (March 16, 2020) at 9:00 PM. Gaming Commission will be shutting down all machines. This will continue until Governor opens things up.
- D. Card Access System – Looking to protect both street and water department buildings.
- E. WPD Public Survey – will launch in the near future an online public survey.

5. Other Business:

Due to stay at home order issued by Governor, there will be no conferences, all police training is closed until May 1st (at this time). The new eligibility list for police officer has been established by Commission. Will begin conducting background investigations.

6. Adjournment 5:54 P.M. Motion by Alderman Adams and 2nd by Chairman Butler.