

6/8/15 Public Safety Committee meeting 5:30PM (City Hall)

Members present: T. Gee, D. Dingledine, T. Maxwell, Chief D. Volk

Chairman Gee called the meeting to order.

Alderman wishing to be heard: None.

Citizens wishing to be heard:

- Jim Coffey from the League of Illinois Bicyclists spoke to the group about establishing Washington as a Certified Bike Friendly Community. Discussed setting up bicycle safety programs, in conjunction with Russell's. Encouraged forming a committee to work on this, having discussed it with the Mayor.

Approval of minutes: May 11, 2015 regular minutes. D. Dingledine motioned, T. Maxwell seconded. Approved.

Business items: Traffic Pattern Considerations: Ford Ln. & Danforth Alleyways. Representative from Maurer-Stutz provided two possible designs for proposed Ipava Branch Bank (old Circle 4 Realty building). Design "1A" seemed most preferable, but more follow-up is needed. Monthly reports reviewed (May 2014 and April and May 2015). Quarterly update on Canine statistics. Draft ordinances for E-cigarettes, Central Ave. stop signs and S. Main St. speed zone reduction were reviewed and discussed. Committee agreed to forward to full Council. D. Dingledine motioned, T. Maxwell seconded. Approved.

Other business: Chief Volk advised he believed the alley vacation near Jimmy Johns was close to being resolved. Will follow-up with Public Works. Zinser truck traffic was again discussed. Committee would like to see signs posted (possibly "No Trucks" or "Local Traffic Only"). Also encouraged placement of sign close to Peoria St. intersection. Chief will check on proper language. Chief advised of e-mail complaint on graffiti incidents in town. Discussion was had and it was recommended to continue to monitor at this time. Staffing was discussed. Chief's interest is to promote two Commanders (Patrol and Investigations), fill vacancies and add additional Part-time Officers, with focus to be on currently certified Part-time Officer recruitment.

Adjournment: D. Dingledine motioned, T. Maxwell seconded. Approved.