

Bellevue Borough Committee Meeting Minutes

Committee: Public Safety

Date:	09.07.2021	Location: Borough Building
Chair:	Jodi Cerminara, Pro Tem	Time: 7:00 pm
Note Taker:	Cindy Bahn	
Members In Attendance:	Jodi Cerminara, Council Anya Pikul, Council Amanda Sloane, Council	
Members Absent:		
Others In Attendance:	Cindy Bahn, DAS Matt Sentner, Police Chief Jeff Wissner, Building Code Official Jack Davin, Lt. Firefighter Jim Kelly, DPW Superintendent Randy Dailey, VFD Chief	
Public Contributions on Agenda Items (5 minutes)		
None		
Agenda Items – Reports:		
1	Police Department The Chief reported that the new radios were delivered and they are transmitting fine; he is still waiting on body cams.	
2	Fire Department and Columbia Hose Hook & Ladder - Lt. Davin repeated that the Department would like to continue with CBA negotiations. - Chief Dailey reported that there were 52 calls for service in August. He further noted that the VFD received a Federal grant of \$80,000 for portable radios, and that as of the end of 2022, all breathing apparatus will be out of date. The VFD will apply for a Federal grant to replace them.	
3	Code Enforcement Department; Jeff Wissner, Building Code Official Mr. Wissner stated that he had an additional item to add to his report: the receipt of a Zoning application for 517 Highland Place. Ms. Sloane asked if this property is intended as sober living house for women, and Mr. Wissner responded that it's legal to have up to 5 unrelated people living in a single-family resident, paying rent. He further noted that he inspected, and there is nothing more that Code can do except pull the occupancy permit if there are violations.	
4	NorthWest Emergency Management Services; Carl Tuscan, Chief of Operations - A representative stated that they are in the process of taking delivery of 6 new ambulances, and plan to maintain 4 of the old ones. - Marie Park, an emergency paramedic for NorthWest, was introduced.	

Unfinished Business:	
1.	Fire Department Mediation Nothing to report.
2.	Establishment of Police Civil Service Hiring List Chief Sentner stated that he would like to table this for 2022 budget discussions.
3.	3rd Party Building Inspectors Mr. Wissner reported that he is still working on this.
4.	Street Sweeping Ordinance This will be added to the September Pre-Council meeting agenda for discussion.
New Business:	
1.	Application for Partime Firefighter The DAS reported that an application has been received from Tyler Adams; there are currently 3 parttime firefighters who can be relied upon.
	Ms. Sloane commented that fireworks in the Borough are out of control. Chief Sentner responded that the challenge is catching offenders; if a police officer observes someone setting them off, the offender gets 1 warning; a second offense merits a fine. A suggestion was made to issue messaging about the dangers of non-professionals setting off fireworks, and the applicable laws.
Public Contributions on Non-Agenda Items (2 minutes):	
There was no public contribution.	

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:30 pm

Next Meeting: October 5, 2021, 7:00 pm