

Minutes

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Monday, July 13, 2015

7:00 P.M.

**Police Training Room 4th Floor
Municipal Building, Jamestown, New York**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairwoman Maria Jones, Councilman Brent Sheldon, Councilwoman Marie Carrubba

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Police Captain Todd Isaacson, Dave Leathers, Deputy Fire Chief Chet Harvey

Chairwoman Jones called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the June 15, 2015 meeting were approved.

Public Comment/Persons to address the Committee

No one appeared to speak.

RESOLUTIONS

1. RESOLVED, That Police Chief/Director of Public Safety Harry Snellings and Lieutenant Greg Wozneak be and they hereby are authorized to attend the New York Association of Chiefs of Police Conference in Saratoga Springs, New York, July 12-15, 2015 with expenses paid pursuant to Section 77-b of the General Municipal Laws of the State of New York. Note: This item appears on the Finance Committee Agenda.

The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the July 27, 2015 meeting.

2. RESOLVED, That Captain Robert Samuelson be and he hereby is authorized to attend the FIO Regional Coordinator Conference in Syracuse, New York, July 13-15, 2015 with expenses paid pursuant to Section 77-b of the General Municipal Laws of the State of New York. Note: This item appears on the Finance Committee Agenda.

The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the July 27, 2015 meeting.

3. RESOLVED, That Deputy Fire Chief Chester Harvey be and he hereby is authorized to attend the New York State Career Fire Chief's Meeting in Auburn, New York, July 15, 2015, with expenses paid pursuant to Section 77-b of the General Municipal Law. Note: This item appears on the Finance Committee Agenda.

The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the July 27, 2015 meeting.

4. WHEREAS, On January 22, 2002 the Jamestown City Council adopted resolution number 200201C03 that effective immediately and until further notice instituted a hiring freeze for the City of Jamestown, and

WHEREAS, On November 20, 2006 the Jamestown City Council adopted resolution number 200611B17 to extend the freeze to any change in employment from Part-Time to Full-Time status, and

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that within the Jamestown Police Department an effort to effectively manage the city's day-to-day responsibilities in a cost efficient manner, it is in the City of Jamestown's best interest to lift the hiring freeze for a certain position, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that effective immediately the Jamestown City Council hereby suspends the hiring freeze instituted by resolution number 200201C03 and resolution number 200611B17.

- One (1) Police Officer in the Jamestown Police Department (funded through an agreement with the Jamestown Public Schools for a School Resource Officer). Note: This item appears on the Finance Committee Agenda.

The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the July 27, 2015 meeting.

5. RESOLVED, that Mayor Samuel Teresi, and Police Chief/Director of Public Safety Harry Snellings be, and they hereby are, authorized to enter into an agreement with the City of Jamestown School District for providing one (1) School Resource Officer in the Jamestown Public Schools for a term of one (1) year beginning September 1, 2015 and ending August 31, 2016 subject to the approval of the Corporation Counsel as to form. Note: This item appears on the Finance Committee Agenda

Note: This position is in addition to the SRO that was approved by resolution 201504B03.

The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the July 27, 2015 meeting.

6. WHEREAS, the County of Chautauqua heretofore applied for State funding under the New York State Division of Criminal Justices Services GIVE Grant Program for 2015, and

WHEREAS, the County of Chautauqua's application has been approved and a portion of the grant funds must be shared with the City of Jamestown Police Department, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Police Chief/Director of Public Safety be and they hereby are authorized and directed to participate in GIVE for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 with funding in the amount of Thirty-Three Thousand, Three Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars (\$33,395.00) provided by the State of New York, subject to the approval of the Corporation Counsel as to form. (Note: This item appears on the Finance Committee Agenda)

The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the July 27, 2015 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Special Event Application – (Park Event) Hillcrest Baptist Church – Westside Community Service – August 23, 2015.

The members approved the request.

Special Event Application– Jamestown Renaissance Corporation – Motor Mayhem – August 14, 2015.

The members approved the request.

Special Event Application – National Comedy Center, Inc. – Lucille Ball Comedy Festival – July 30 – August 2, 2015.

The members approved the request with the conditions that have been presented by the departments.

Special Event Application – (Park Event) Jean Thomas – Gospel Fest – July 18, 2015.

The members approved the request.

Block Party Request – Gerald Nutt Jr. – Ellis Avenue – August 8, 2015

The members approved the request.

Block Party Request – Lisa Andalora – Gertrude Avenue – July 1, 2015.

The members approved the request.

Block Party Request – First Covenant Church – September 6, 2015.

The members approved the request.

Block Party Request – Hotchkiss Street – August 2, 2015.

The members approved the request.

Request for a new street light on Water Street

Mr. Olson stated this was a request from Councilman Nelson from Jay Churchill.

Chairwoman Jones asked why he was asking for it. The BPU is not recommending it.

Mr. Leathers said that the pole is adjacent to an entrance. He stated he did not know if it was a winter thing where it is dark in the morning and evening. There are two poles that have lights on them. The business can put a light over their entrance. Chris Rodgers and I looked at it. We do not think it is necessary.

The members denied the request.

Chairman Jones asked if the lights that were approved earlier this year have been installed.

Mr. Leathers stated he would check.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

James N. Olson
Director of Financial Services/City Clerk