

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
City Council Executive Chambers
January 24, 2000

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Vince Joy, Jr., Council Members Anthony J. Dolce and Mary Lou Edwards

OTHERS PRESENT: City Clerk Sanfilippo, Police Chief MacLaughlin, Corporation Counsel Pillitteri, Fire Chief Arcadipane, Dave Dahl of the Post-Journal

Chairman Joy called the meeting to order.

The Committee reviewed the following resolutions:

1. Resolution authorizing Fire Fighters Jeffery Stanford and Mike Moran to attend the Fire Behavior and Principals of Fire Investigation course at Montour Falls, New York on February 8-12, 2000.
2. Resolution delegating to duly appointed department heads the authority to authorize attendance at conferences, conventions, or schools.
3. Resolution setting the meeting dates for the City Council for the balance of 2000.
4. Ordinance amendment to Section 140-4 regarding members of the Fire Department as inspectors.
5. Resolution increasing the size of the Youth Bureau Board of Directors.
6. Resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding with the Sheriff and District Attorney to form and participate in a Countywide Fire Investigation Team.
7. Resolution granting a Games of Chance license for various dates to the Jamestown Lodge #1681 Loyal Order of Moose, Inc.
8. Resolution authorizing the submission of an application for a grant from the New York State Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund.

Items approved

The Committee reviewed a recommendation from the Director of Public Works regarding the request from the Lucy-Desi Museum to place a directional sign at E. 2nd and Pine Streets. A sign currently exists at this location. It is to be replaced with a New York State directional sign.

Item approved

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Chief MacLaughlin apprised the Committee of 36 vacant buildings in the City of Jamestown currently owned by Chautauqua County. He and the Fire Chief expressed concerns over the condition of these boarded up structures and the possibility that they could become the target of arsonists such as the one that was set on fire and burned recently. Corporation Counsel Pillitteri advised that he would be meeting to discuss these with Chautauqua County. Chairman Joy asked for a quarterly report on the status of these structures.

Councilwoman Edwards suggested that the Committee consider making allowances for people to park the wrong way on hills during slippery conditions. Chief MacLaughlin suggested that this could be reviewed to the Parking Advisory Board for a recommendation. Chief MacLaughlin will look into this and report back to the Committee at their next meeting.

Chairman Joy stated that he felt the Adopt-A-Street program should be promoted to make residents aware of its existence.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Shirley A. Sanfilippo, CMC/AEE, RMC
City Clerk