

May 7, 2014  
Curtis Hall

A regular meeting of the **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE** was held tonight, Commissioner J. Andrew Sharkey, Chairman, presiding. Members present were Commissioners McKeown, Norris, Rappoport, and Simon. Also present was Ex-Officio Member Portner.

Staff present were Kenneth Hellendall, Emergency Management Coordinator; Kevin O'Brien, Deputy Chief of Police; Joseph O'Neill, Fire Marshal; Henry Sekawungu, Planning and Zoning Director; and Bryan T. Havir, Township Manager. Also present was Andrew Freimuth, Esq. A Public Attendance List is attached.

Mr. Sharkey called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

1. Deputy Chief O'Brien reviewed the Police Activity/Community Policing Unit, Clearance and Juvenile Contact Reports for the month of March, 2014.

Mr. Sharkey noted that crime statistics were down for the period.

Discussion ensued regarding the Township's participation in the Local Traffic Assistance Program ("LTAP"). Deputy Chief O'Brien explained that the program that enables LTAP to analyze roads and intersections, especially those that have a high accident rate, make short and long-term improvement recommendations, LTAP does a follow-up after six (6) months, and the data is evaluated after one (1) year.

Mr. Sharkey asked who made the initial contact and the Township's commitment to the recommendations. Mr. Havir stated that PennDOT identified the Township and approached the Township to participate. Deputy Chief O'Brien stated that the Township is not under any agreement to implement the recommendations.

Mr. Norris asked for the Police Department's opinion of the program. Deputy Chief O'Brien stated that the Police Department supports participation in the program.

Ms. Rappoport asked if certain intersections/area have already been identified and the opportunity for public input. Deputy Chief O'Brien stated that no intersections/areas have been yet identified, the focus would be on high accident intersections, LTAP's recommendations are reviewed at a Staff level. Ms. Rappoport supported participating in the program.

Mr. Simon asked about the nature of the recommendations, the requirement for the Township to implement them, especially if they could be cost-prohibitive. Deputy Chief O'Brien responded that the Township is not committed to implementing recommendations that are costly.

Mr. Havir reviewed the outcome of a meeting with the LTAP representative. If the Township should apply for grants that could help fund any of LTAP's recommendations, participation in this program gives the Township leverage.

The Committee unanimously approved the Township's participation in LTAP as presented this evening and authorized Staff to proceed with a kick-off meeting.

Lt. O'Brien reminded everyone of the ceremony on Saturday, May 17, 2014, beginning at 10 a.m., honoring two (2) canine cops who passed and are being memorialized on the canine memorial at the Township Building.

2. Upon motion of Mr. Portner, the Committee unanimously accepted the Police Activity/Community Policing Unit, Clearance and Juvenile Contact Reports for the month of March, 2014.

3. Mr. O'Neill noted the importance of sprinkler systems. Such a system was instrumental in a recent fire that had the potential to be serious.

Mr. Sharkey noted the importance of carbon monoxide protection, and the Township's website has detailed information about it.

Upon motion of Mr. McKeown, the Committee unanimously accepted the Report of the Fire Marshal for the month of April, 2014.

4. Mr. Portner noted that EMS delivered 53 new resident packets in March.

Upon motion of Mr. McKeown, the Committee unanimously accepted the Report of the EMS Director for the month of April, 2014.

5. Mr. Sharkey complimented the social media sites of Emergency Management and the Police Department.

Upon motion of Mr. McKeown, the Committee unanimously accepted the Report of the Emergency Management Coordinator for the month of April, 2014.

6. Discussion ensued regarding the bids received for multi-space parking pay stations. Mr. Havir reviewed the bid and the locations for installation of the stations – the three (3) municipal parking lots located at Bickley Road, High School Park, and behind the shops on York Road at Stahr Road.

Mr. Norris questioned why the meters did not have credit card capability. Discussion ensued. Mr. Simon favored credit card capability if it did not require additional cost. It was determined that Staff would need to review this further, and upon motion of Mr. Sharkey, the Committee unanimously agreed to table action on this bid to the Public Works Committee meeting on May 14, 2014 pending further review by Staff as it relates to adding credit card capability to the pay stations.

7. Under Old Business:

Mr. Sharkey asked the status of the Greenwood Avenue bridge project completion. Mr. Havir responded that it is scheduled to open at the end of June 2014.

Ms. Rappoport thanked Staff for having Hilltop Lane opened.

8. Under New Business – None.
9. Under Citizens Forum – None.

There being no further business, upon motion of Mr. Portner, and unanimously approved by the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.



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Bryan T. Havir  
Township Manager

as per Anna Marie Felix



**PUBLIC ATTENDANCE LIST**  
**Public Safety Committee, 7:30 p.m.**  
**Public Affairs Committee, 7:45 p.m.**  
**Building and Zoning Committee, 8:00 p.m.**  
**Wednesday, May 7, 2014**  
**Curtis Hall**

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