

MINUTES
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
JUNE 5, 2017

The Penn Township Public Safety Committee convened on Monday, June 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman Felix and Commissioners Brown, Klunk and Van de Castle. Also present were Township Manager Rodgers, Police Chief Laughlin, Fire Chief Clouser, and Township Secretary Hallett. Commissioner Heilman was absent with notice. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Commissioner Felix read the announcement of executive session that was held following the Board of Commissioners public meeting on May 15, 2017. Commissioner Felix announced an executive session to discuss personnel would be held following the Finance Committee meeting this evening.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the May 1, 2017 Public Safety Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None.

MDA RUN/WALK REQUEST: The Committee received a letter dated May 5, 2017 from Preferred Properties Real Estate Inc. notifying the Township of a 5K to benefit MDA. The event will be held on October 14, 2017 at 9 a.m. Chief Laughlin will send them a letter.

RELAY FOR LIFE SOLICITING IN THE TOWNSHIP: The Committee received a letter dated May 17, 2017 from Relay for Life of Hanover requesting to solicit donations at multiple intersections in Penn Township. After discussing safety, the Committee advised Chief Laughlin to send them a letter.

BARNHART DRIVE MIDBLOCK CROSSWALK: Police Chief Laughlin reported on the midblock crosswalk on Barnhart Drive. He said the Township placed a midblock crosswalk there when Smithkline Beecham owned the property and their employees were crossing the street to get from building to building. The crosswalk is now in disrepair and needs sign maintenance. There are four signs; two need replaced and two need additional arrows and words. Chief Laughlin isn't sure if the crosswalk is in use anymore. After discussion the Committee instructed Chief Laughlin to contact the property owners and see if they still want the crosswalk. If they do, Manager Rodgers will prepare an estimate for them to pay for the required repairs.

FIRE POLICE APPLICANTS: Fire Chief Clouser reported that Hollis Harrell, Jr. and Amanda Lancaster submitted applications to join the Penn Township Fire Police. Both are members of the Penn Township Volunteer Emergency Services. After background checks are completed the results will be reported to Manager Rodgers. If no problems are found they will be appointed at the next meeting.

MDA BOOT DRIVE: The Committee received a letter on May 30, 2017 from Greater Hanover Professional Firefighters Association informing the Committee about their annual boot drive for MDA to be held on June 10 and August 26, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. They will be collecting in Grandview Plaza. They have permission from the property owner to be in the Plaza and they will not be soliciting in any public roadways.

APOSTOLIC MINISTRIES CARNIVAL: Chief Laughlin reported that Apostolic Ministries held their carnival last month and it went very well. There were no complaints to the police department and Apostolic Ministries complied with all requirements.

FIRE POLICE FOR HANOVER FIREWORKS: Fire Chief Clouser reported that the Hanover Borough would like to hold their annual fireworks display on July 4, 2017. They are requesting use of the Penn Township Fire Police to assist in controlling traffic. Chief Laughlin said there may be a need for additional No Parking areas during the event. Chief Clouser said Hanover Borough Manger Bowersox is interested in bringing back the Liberty Days Celebration in the future. After discussion the Committee recommended approving the request.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Hallett
Township Secretary