

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2024
4:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Tim Barnes, Brian Droscha, Scott Hansen, Mark Mudry, Brian Haskell, and Frank Holmes

ABSENT: Jacob Toomey

ALSO PRESENT: Connie Sobie, Sheriff Tom Reich, Kelly Cunningham, Ryan Wilkinson, and Melanie Achenbach

The September 5, 2024, regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairperson Barnes.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all.

AGENDA ADDITIONS AND CHANGES

Commissioner Haskell moved to approve the agenda with the addition of an item to Miscellaneous in reference to the Prosecutor's Office Canine Reagan. Commissioner Droscha seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Droscha moved to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2024, Public Safety Meeting as presented. Commissioner Haskell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT

None

SHERIFF'S OFFICE UPDATE

Sheriff Reich reported the highlights for the month of August, 2024.

RESOLUTIONS TO APPROVE MAPLE VALLEY SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER AND VERMONTVILLE VILLAGE POLICE SERVICES AGREEMENTS

Controller Sobie reported both Resolutions are for renewals of existing contracts. Commissioner Haskell moved to recommend approval of both Resolutions to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Droscha seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CENTRAL DISPATCH UPDATE

Dispatch Director Cunningham reported the Dispatch floor remodel is completed and the renovation of a locker room into sleeping quarters is nearly completed. She stated the department participated in the Active Violence Incident Exercise at Charlotte Public Schools. There are two Telecommunicator vacancies and applicants are in the hiring process. Work has begun on making school maps for the Tri-County area available to First Responders.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT TO THE EATON COUNTY 911 PLAN
(ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS)**

Director Cunningham explained due to a clerical error, the Bellevue Fire Department was not listed in the original plan. This resolution is to correct the error. Commissioner Barnes moved to recommend approval of the Resolution to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Droscha seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

EMERGENCY SERVICES UPDATE

Emergency Services Manager Wilkinson reported extensive planning and training was conducted during the month of August. Intern Carlson has completed his internship and is advancing to a position with MSU Emergency Services. Emergency Management Specialist Gardner completed the Professional Emergency Management requirements and will take the final exam in November. Meetings with schools to review their safety plans, scheduling of trainings and exercises are being conducted. Law Enforcement grant funds were available and gas mask canisters were purchased to replace ones that are near their expiration.

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE INITIAL WORK AGREEMENT FOR THE FY25
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT (EMPG)**

This grant pays a portion of the Emergency Services Manager's salary. Commissioner Droscha moved to recommend approval of the Resolution to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Hanson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

On behalf of Prosecutor Lloyd, Administrator Sobie requested a Resolution to honor Canine Advocate Reagan. Canine Advocate Reagan became a valued member of the Prosecutor's Office in 2013 and passed away in August, 2024. Commissioner Droscha moved to recommend approval of a Resolution honoring Canine Advocate Reagan to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Haskell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Barnes expressed his support and the importance of having school resource officers in the schools in light of the recent school shooting in Georgia.

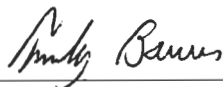
LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Barnes adjourned the meeting at 4:25 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Public Safety Committee will be held October 3, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.



Commissioner Timothy Barnes
Chairperson, Public Safety Committee