



**Public Safety Meeting
Agenda
Tuesday, July 30, 2019 at 2:00 PM
ED Lab**

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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

June 18, 2019

2:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mike Montello, Ron Volkert, and Tom Weinmeyer

Others Present: Craig Yehlik, Matt Melby, Mike Darrow, and Lori Brinkman

Mike Montello called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Roll call was taken.

Ron Volkert moved to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Tom Weinmeyer and carried.

Ron Volkert moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting of March 11, 2019, seconded by Mike Montello and carried.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Ron Volkert moved to nominate Tom Weinmeyer as Chair, seconded by Mike Montello and carried.

Mike Montello moved to nominate Ron Volkert as Vice Chair, seconded by Tom Weinmeyer and carried.

CBD Oil Update and Review

Police Chief Craig Yehlik stated there is still confusion about what is legal and what is illegal with regard to CBD products. The confusion stems from inconsistencies between Federal and State laws. Chief Yehlik explained that in Wisconsin, a person must have a prescription or be part of a medical study to legally possess CBD oil. Any other possession, purchase, or use is illegal. Chief Yehlik recommends working with City Attorney Nick Vivian to update the City ordinance in the near future.

Tobacco Ordinance

Chief Yehlik explained that the City of New Richmond has a tobacco ordinance (50-289), however, the ordinance appears antiquated as it specifies the term "tobacco leaf". These days the Police Department sees more than just tobacco leaf products (i.e. oils, vaping products, etc.), he feels an update to the wording in the City's ordinance is warranted. Chief Yehlik's recommendation is to update the wording to read "nicotine product", which matches the language used in State Statute 254.92.

Mike Montello moved to approve the wording change in the City's tobacco ordinance from "tobacco leaf" to "nicotine product", seconded by Ron Volkert and carried.

Turningpoint MOU

Chief Yehlik gave some background on Turningpoint, which is a non-profit organization for victims of domestic and sexual violence. Turningpoint has requested entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the New Richmond Police Department. Chief Yehlik and City Attorney Nick Vivian have reviewed the MOU. Chief Yehlik's only recommended modification to the MOU is to change the word "should" to "may" in item 3 ("As a matter of standard procedure, the New Richmond Police Department **may** make resources and information packets available to victims about their rights.").

Mike Montello moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Turningpoint and the City of New Richmond's Police Department with the change from "should" to "may" as noted above, seconded by Ron Volkert and carried.

Golf Carts, ATVs, UTVs on City Roadways

At the February Public Safety Committee meeting, there was discussion about the possibility of allowing golf carts, ATVs, and/or UTVs on City streets. Chief Yehlik explained this request has again been brought forward. Discussion ensued regarding allowing golf carts only and limiting them to Streets only (not trails or sidewalks). Safety is also a concern.

Chief Yehlik will take the next 90 days to further investigate other municipalities' ordinances, such as Durand, and will bring his findings forward to the Public Safety Committee at that time.

Communication/Miscellaneous

- Chief Yehlik mentioned that Officer Chevrier and K-9 Storm traveled to Lino Lakes for re-certification. Mike Darrow wonders if we can video Storm during training to play on various social media platforms.
- Channel 9 News recently aired a "Hiding in Plain Sight" piece featuring the Barron County Sheriff's Department.

Mike Montello moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ron Volkert and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

Minutes by Lori Brinkman

MEMO



Prepared for: Public Safety Committee
Staff Contact: Craig Yehlik, Chief
Meeting: Public Safety - 30 Jul 2019
Subject: Golf Cart Ordinance

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Chief Yehlik will discuss his findings from researching other nearby communities' golf cart ordinances as requested at the June Public Safety Committee meeting.



MEMO

Prepared for: Public Safety Committee Members
Staff Contact: Jeremiah Wendt, Director of Public Works
Meeting: Public Safety - 30 Jul 2019
Subject: Public Facilities Fire Alarm/Security Camera Update

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) included \$50,000 for improvements to fire alarm and security systems in City Buildings in 2019, to be funded through the Capital Replacement Levy. Earlier this year, City Staff requested information from several vendors on these projects, but based on the uncertainty associated with pending building projects at the Library and Civic Center, we held off temporarily on the projects.

With the future location of the library still to be determined, we are recommending that those projects remain on hold. However, based on recent discussions with the Safety Committee, we are recommending to move forward with several improvements at the Civic Center and Police Department as outlined below.

RECOMMENDATION:

- Fire Alarm Systems
 - Civic Center – A portion of the Civic Center is currently served by a fire alarm system that has been deemed inadequate and obsolete. While this building is not required by code to have a fire alarm system, Staff and the Safety Committee feel it is in the best interest of the staff, public, and Senior Center to have a system in place. Staff received quotes from multiple firms, and recommend contracting with Ban-Koe Systems Group Inc. (who provided and services alarm systems for the City's Public Works facility) for complete replacement of the fire alarm system at a cost of \$13,962.89 plus annual fee of \$270.
 - Police Department – The police department has a fire alarm system (and sprinklers in a portion of the building) that has been deactivated due to nuisance alarms associated with failed system components. While this building is not required by code to have a fire alarm system, Staff and the Safety Committee feel it is in the best interest of staff and the public to have a system in place. Staff recommends contracting with Ban-Koe to diagnose existing system and develop a plan for repair. While a firm price won't be known until the system can be reviewed, even a worst case scenario of system replacement would not exceed \$15,000.
- Security Cameras
 - Civic Center – The Civic Center has components of a security camera system in place that have not been used for several years. Staff received quotes for an entirely new system, which would cost in excess of \$30,000. Staff is recommending that we utilize staff and outside contractors to get the existing cameras/wiring connected to a new system monitor as a first phase with a cost not to exceed \$5,000.

Future phases (additional cameras, etc.) could be added individually or as part of a future building remodel.

- Total Cost of the improvements as outlined above is \$33,962.89, which fits within the budget of \$50,000 as outlined in the CIP.