

COMMUNITY SAFETY & PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

May 5, 2009 – 5:30 PM

City Council Chambers – Rouss City Hall

PRESENT: President Jeff Buettner; Vice-Mayor Michael Butler; Vice-President Art Major; Councilor Evan Clark, Milt McInturff, Les Veach and John Willingham; Mayor Elizabeth Minor (8)
ABSENT: Councilor John Hill (1)

President Buettner called the meeting to order at 5:29 p.m.

Approval of Minutes – Vice-President Major moved to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2009 meeting as presented. *The motion was seconded by Councilor Veach then unanimously approved by voice-vote.*

Community Safety Report – Chairman Minor

- a. Fire & Rescue, Chief Frank Wright
 - i. Motion to send a resolution approving the financing by the Shawnee Volunteer Fire Department forward to Council for approval.

Chief Wright presented a resolution for a new rescue vehicle for Shawnee Volunteer Fire Department. The new vehicle is a 2009 International that they expect to get 12-15 year of service out of. Shawnee is using \$100,000.00 in Fee for Service funds for the down payment and will finance the remaining balance of \$95,000.00. No money out of the general fund will be spent.

City Attorney Anthony Williams stated if Council chooses to send this forward, he asked that he be allowed to make some minor adjustments to the resolution to make it more consistent with the tax code.

Vice-President Major moved to send the resolution forward to Council. *The motion was seconded by Councilor Clark then unanimously approved by voice-vote.*

- b. Police Department, Chief Kevin Sanzenbacher
 - i. Reclassification of Senior Codes Inspector/Police Officer II

Chief Sanzenbacher stated he and Zoning Administrator Vince Diem met with Vice-President Major to discuss the concerns he had with one person working for two departments. A summary of the meeting's discussion was presented.

- c. Submitted Reports – Information Only:
 - i. Fire Department – Chief Frank Wright

Public Services Report – Chairman Veach

- a. Perry Eisenach, Public Services Director
 - ii. Update on Construction Projects

Mr. Eisenach presented an update on the stated the Downtown Utility Project has officially started as planned at the end of Braddock Street. The Northeast Infrastructure Improvements are almost done on Woodstock Lane and getting ready to move to East Street. Berryville Avnue will being in June. All of the curbs and sidewalks on Woodstock between East Lane and West Street are complete and the street is ready to be paved. The new traffic signals on Berryville Avenue and Cork Street should be complete by May 22nd. The signal foundations on Braddock and Cameron Steets will begin in the next few weeks. Crews will begin removing traffic signals in the downtown area the beginning of June. The new Transit Bus Garage is 98% complete and will be finished by the end of May. Crews are ready to begin on the Green Circle Trail but have been delayed by the rain.

President Buettner asked if anyone on Council wanted to revisit the two way traffic on Braddock and Cameron Streets. Vice-Mayor Butler stated he did not vote for the change in traffic but he thought it was too late to go back.

Other Items

- a. Pending appointments to Boards and Commissions

Councilor Willingham moved to send forward the name of Sonny Shiley to be re-appointed to the Community Development Committee. The motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Butler then unanimously approved by voice-vote.

- b. MOTION TO CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PERSUANT TO VIRGINIA CODE §2.2-3711.A(7).

President Buettner stated he would like to skip the closed session for now and move it to the Finance agenda.

Adjourn

With no further business to discuss, President Buettner adjourned the meeting at 6:12 p.m.