



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

City Hall - Large Conference Room
300 W. Crowell Street
Monroe, NC
August 7, 2023
4:15 PM

AGENDA

1. Minutes from June 5, 2023 meeting
2. Staff Report & Budget Amendment – Leary Firefighters Foundation Grant
3. Staff Report & Budget Amendment – Donation for Camp 1872 & Interlocal Agreement Funds
4. Staff Report – Union County EOP Update

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
June 5, 2023**

The Public Safety Committee met on June 5, 2023, at 4:15 p.m. in the City Hall Large Conference Room.

Members Present: Chairman Gary Anderson, Committee Member Charles Perry, Council Member Freddie Gordon, Council Member James Kerr, Committee Member David Beckwith

Absent: Committee Member Hayden Desio-Munn, Committee Member Chip Wardwell

Staff Present: City Manager Mark Watson, City Attorney Richard Long, Fire Chief Ron Fowler, Engineering Director Sarah McAllister, Fire Administrative Assistant Alice Withers, Police Captain TJ Goforth, Finance Director Lisa Strickland, Fire Deputy Chief Greg Collins, Grant Administrator Lisa Kerner

Guests: Todd Price

Chairman Gary Anderson called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

Item 1. Approval of Minutes of April 3, 2023 Meeting

Council Member Gordon made a motion to approve the minutes of the Public Safety Committee meeting of April 3, 2023. Committee Member Perry seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Item 2. Ordinance to Amend Traffic Code – Chapter 75 – Traffic Schedules – Schedule II: Through Streets

Engineering Director Sarah McAllister presented to the Committee a request for considering an ordinance to amend Traffic Schedules for streets the City of Monroe has accepted maintenance of – a portion of streets within the Glendalough neighborhood, streets from Dogwood Forest, Lexie Lane, and Shining Light Church Road. A portion of Lomax Street was renamed to Help Street and Enterprise Street was renamed to Willis Way. Allen Street was also abandoned due to the construction of the new Community Shelter of Union County. Committee Member Beckwith made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Traffic Schedules and forward to City Council for approval. Council Member Kerr seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Item 3. Budget Amendment for FM Global Grant and Gloss Mountain Productions

Payment

Fire Chief Ron Fowler presented to the Committee a request to accept a grant from FM Global Foundation in the amount of \$3,500 to be used to purchase a new Sparky the Fire Dog suit and for Fire/Life Safety Education materials. Along with a payment from Gloss Mountain Productions in the amount of \$4,000 for a movie shoot that utilized the Fire Training Grounds as a base camp. Committee Member Perry made a motion to recommend Council to approve the budget amendment and appropriate the funds to the Fire Department expenditure accounts. Council Member Gordon seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Other

Committee Chairman Anderson recognized Monroe Fire Department's HazMat team on their mutual aid response to Stanly County on Saturday, June 3, 2023. Chairman Anderson and Chief Fowler also recognized Deputy Chief Collins for assisting in Stanly County so as to allow the Battalion Chief to remain in the City and not disrupt daily operations.

Fire Chief Fowler extended an invitation to all Committee Members to attend the Fire Camp 1872 and recommended they come on Friday, June 16, 2023, as that is Family Day and the Campers will display what they have learned just prior to lunch being served. Committee Secretary Withers will send an email to include all details and address for the Fire Department Training Grounds.

Council Member Kerr thanked Monroe Police Chief Gilliard, Monroe Fire Chief Fowler and Monroe City Manager Watson on their professionalism and handling the events of May 24, 2023 at the Monroe Airport. City Manager Watson also thanked the Cabarrus County Sheriff's Department and Bomb Squad for their mutual aid assistance.

City Manager Watson informed the Committee that the Parking Enforcement Employee is actively enforcing the 2-hour parking regulation.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Council Member Kerr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Beckwith seconded the motion which passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Withers – Committee Secretary



STAFF REPORT

TO: Public Safety Committee

VIA: Mark Watson, City Manager

DATE: August 7, 2023

FROM: Ronald D. Fowler, Fire Chief

PREPARED BY: Bryan Kindley, Deputy Chief

SUBJECT: Leary Firefighters Foundation Grant

SUMMARY STATEMENT

Staff is seeking authorization to submit a letter of interest and application if approved for a grant through the Leary Firefighters Foundation.

REVIEW

Staff is seeking authorization to submit a letter of interest, and ultimately a grant application to the Leary Firefighter's Foundation in the hopes of receiving approval by the foundation to apply for a grant to purchase a Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) washer and dryer totaling \$23,849.31. This is a non-matching grant; thus the city would not be responsible for any of the funding. The gear washer and dryer would be housed at the training grounds.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff requests the Public Safety Committee to recommend to City Council to authorize staff to submit a letter of interest and grant application if approved to the Leary Firefighter's Foundation for a PPE washer and dryer.



STAFF REPORT

TO: Public Safety Committee

VIA: Mark Watson, City Manager

DATE: August 7, 2023

FROM: Ronald D. Fowler, Fire Chief

PREPARED BY: Alice Williams, Administrative Assistant II - Fire

SUBJECT: Budget Amendment for Donations Received for Fire Camp 1872 and Interlocal Agreement Funds

SUMMARY STATEMENT

The Fire Department seeks a budget amendment to accept donations totaling \$1,180, along with \$40,000 from an Interlocal Agreement with Union County.

REVIEW

The Fire Department has received donations totaling \$1,180 from Council Member Anderson, Council Member Kerr and Monroe Rotary Club to be used for Fire Camp 1872. The Fire Department has also received \$40,000 per an Interlocal Agreement, approved by Council on 1/11/2022, with Union County for Swift Water Rescue and Hazardous Materials Response mutual aid assistance.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff requests the Public Safety Committee forward this to City Council for approval to accept the donations and adopt budget amendment BA-2023-14 to appropriate and designate these funds to Fire expenditure accounts for the uses intended.

**CITY OF MONROE
BUDGET AMENDMENT
BA-2023-14**

1. Amendment necessary to designate and appropriate funds received from donations for Fire Camp 1872 and per an Interlocal Agreement with Union County to provide Water Rescue and Hazardous Materials Response mutual aid.

General Fund:

Revenues:

Miscellaneous – Fire	\$1,180
Interlocal Agreement	\$40,000

Expenditures:

Public Safety – Fire	\$41,180
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Total:	\$41,180
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Adopted this the 7th day of August, 2023.

Marion Holloway, Mayor

Attest:

Bridgette H. Robinson, City Clerk



STAFF REPORT

TO: Public Safety Committee

VIA: Mark Watson, City Manager

DATE: August 7, 2023

FROM: Ronald D. Fowler, Fire Chief

PREPARED BY: Alice Williams, Administrative Assistant II - Fire

SUBJECT: Resolution to Adopt Union County Emergency Operations Plan

SUMMARY STATEMENT

Union County has updated their Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and seeks the City's adoption of the plan by resolution.

REVIEW

Union County has updated their Emergency Operations Plan (EOP), of which the City of Monroe has various responsibilities within the plan. City Staff and Union Country Emergency Management Staff wish to provide an overview of the plan updates and seek the City's adoption of the plan by resolution.

The City adopted the current Union County EOP by resolution in 2015. A resolution to adopt the updated EOP will be provided to the Public Safety Committee at the meeting along with an overview of the plan updates.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff requests the Public Safety Committee forward this to City Council for adoption of a resolution to adopt the Union County Emergency Operation Plan.