



Public Safety Committee Minutes
April 11, 2005, 7:30 p.m.

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee of the City of O'Fallon, held in the Mayor's Conference Room, City Hall, 255 S. Lincoln, O'Fallon, Illinois, on April 11, 2005. Call to order 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: True, Boone, Medford, Horton, Bennett
Members Not Present: Reckamp,
Staff Liaison: Captain Stover
Other Aldermen Present: John West, Jerry Albrecht,
Other Persons Present: Walter Denton City Adm., Dennis Sullivan City
Engineer, Pam Funk (Adm.), Chief Saunders (OFD),
Jean Bevington (OPD), Mary Schmidt, Marty Ercoline
Media Persons Present: Georgia Hillyer, Progress, Tiffany Garner, Progress

Alderman Boone made a Motion to accept the Minutes dated March 14, 2005, as presented and Alderman Medford seconded the Motion. All ayes.

Old Business

Item 1. Traffic Control State & Oberneufemann Road – Dennis Sullivan, City Engineer, informed the Committee that the data is now at East/West Gateway for scoring. He should receive results from them by May 21, 2005.

Action: None

MOTION: None

Disposition: Open

Item 2. Class D Parking – The Committee is requested to review these ordinances and arrive at a mutual agreement on the size and weight of vehicles that would be appropriate and allowed to park unrestricted on the City streets.

Action: Aldermen are requested to review these Ordinances and compromise on length and type of vehicles allowed to park on City streets. Chairman True would like a decision at the May 9, 2005, meeting.

MOTION: None

Disposition: Open

Item 3. Stop Signs – **The Committee recommended the following:**

- A. Remove 4-Way Stop @ Edna Drive and Third Street** and replace with 2-way stop at Edna giving 3rd Street the right of way. Place flashing caution lights/signs on Edna until residents get used to 3rd Street having the right of way.
- B. Place 4-Way Stop @ Webber and 3rd Street** – Recommendation of Dennis Sullivan, City Engineer, intersection to remain as is.

- C. T - Road at Greystone Place and Thornbury Place** – Place stop sign on Thornbury Place at Greystone.
- D. West 2nd and South Cherry, Restrict Parking within 30 feet of the Intersection** – Alderman Horton requested the Police Department to enforce the Ordinance on these parking issues. Capt. Stover informed the Committee that this parking issue is already being addressed. He told the Committee that Capt. Battoe has the Traffic Unit working with the business involved and parents who illegally park there. The Traffic Unit is informing the individuals that abuse this parking area, they will be ticketed. All Aldermen present agreed that this problem will clear itself up when “Twisters” relocates, until such time the Police will keep traffic and parking issues at that vicinity a high priority.

Action: None

MOTION: A Motion was made by Alderman Boone and Seconded by Alderman Bennett to approve the placement of the Stop Sign at Thornbury Place. All ayes

Disposition - Closed

Item 4. Warning Lights at Washington @ Lincoln

Warning Lights at Vine @ State – Chief Saunders provided the Committee with handouts on the research of the warning lights. A variety of solar, electric and remote control systems was discussed. Chief Saunders informed the Committee that all systems researched comply with State standards. Aldermen were concerned with the price index (up to \$13,600) on these systems which were not budgeted in the 2005-06 Fire Department Budget. Chief Saunders felt these flashing warning systems could save a few seconds of time and would benefit the Fire Department, he could budget these warning lights in a future budget. Aldermen present agreed with this proposal and felt these items should be budgeted.

Action: Chief Saunders to budget in the future for the Fire Department.

Motion: None

Disposition: Closed

New Business

Item 1. Stop Sign at Greystone and Thornbury Place – This item is addressed under Old Business Item 3 C. Mr. Ercoline, Thornbury resident, provided information to the Committee on the traffic flow on Thornbury Place to Greystone.

Action. None

Motion: A Motion was made by Alderman Boone and Seconded by Alderman Bennett to approve the placement of the Stop Sign at Thornbury Place. All ayes

Disposition: Closed

Item 2. Warning System at Central School – Alderman Bennett requested the Police Department look into the Warning Siren at Central School not sounding when tested on the first Tuesday of the month. Capt. Stover informed Alderman Bennett that some of the sirens do not sound when tested and he was not sure if the Central School Siren was one of them but would check on it.

Action: Stover to Check on Siren at Central School and inform Alderman Bennett

Motion: None

Disposition: Open

Item. 3. Missing 25 MPH Speed Sign with the Slogan “If You Mess Up ... You’ll Pay up” – Request was made to the Committee to replace the “If you mess up ... you’ll pay up” sign from Central School, Capt. Stover to make arrangements for replacement.

Action: Capt. Stover to get sign replaced

Motion: None

Disposition: Open

Item 4. Keck Ridge Turn Lanes at Entrance on Scott Troy Road – Mr. Ercoline requested the Committee to contact the Construction Manger regarding the Construction vehicles using the Thornbury Subdivision road entrances with heavy construction vehicles carrying materials to the Keck Ridge construction site and the New Life In Christ Church. Mr. Ercoline informed the Committee that there is no entrance to these construction sites on Scott Troy Road and they are using the Thornbury entrances and the residents feel this is unnecessary and dangerous traffic entering this subdivision. Dennis Sullivan, City Engineer, informed the Committee that the county closed the construction entrance on Scott Troy Road not the City. He also informed the Committee that the Church is scheduled to be opened soon (with in 4-5 weeks) and it can not open without having turn lanes on Scott Troy Road. Mr. Sullivan feels this situation could solve itself when the Church opens.

Action: None

Motion: None

Disposition: Closed

Chairman True informed the Committee that this will be the last meeting for Alderman Horton as a Committee Member. Chairman True thanked Alderman Horton for the many years of service to the City and to this Committee.

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Boone and seconded by Alderman Medford.

Meeting Adjourned:	8:30 p.m.
Next Meeting:	May 9, 2005
Minutes Taken By:	Jean Bevington