



Public Safety Committee Minutes
July 11, 2005, 7:40 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 July 11, 2005. Call to order 7:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: True, Boone, Medford, Reckamp,
Members Not Present: Bennett, Schmidt
Staff Liaison: Chief Betten
Other Aldermen Present: John West, Jerry Mouser, Ned Drolet, Becky Henry,
Jerry Albrecht, Tom Bequette
Other Persons Present: Walter Denton (City Adm.), Dennis Sullivan (City
Engineer), Pam Funk (Adm.), Chief Saunders (OFD),
April Mitchell (City Intern), Jean Bevington (OPD),
Media Persons Present: Georgia Hillyer, Progress; Tiffany Garner, Journal

Alderman Boone made a Motion to accept the Minutes dated June 13, 2005, as presented and Alderman Medford seconded the Motion. All ayes.

Old Business

Item 1. Roundabout State & Oberneufemann Road – Dennis Sullivan, City Engineer, informed the Committee that the area is in the surveying stages and he would continue to update the Committee as progress continues.

Action: None

MOTION: None

Disposition: Open

Item 2. Mayfest – Chief Betten informed the Committee that he had a meeting with the Mayfest Organization and took ideas and suggestions to the Homecoming Committee who are very receptive to these suggestions. Some of these suggestions are to change the layout of the Mayfest, no parking around the pool area, event organizers to provide more lighting, fence in area and rides to begin an hour earlier and close one hour earlier. Both organizations were agreeable to all suggestions provided and will implement them, if possible, at their next events. A suggestion from the Committee was to ask the Police Department for Volunteers for these events, Chief Betten informed the Committee that all officers are scheduled to work leaving no one off during this time and that OPD has only one auxiliary officer.

Action: None

Motion: None

Disposition: Closed

Item 3. Stop Signs

- a. **St. Nicholas Drive @ Woodlake Court** – Chief Betten provided a handout on a Traffic Study (attached) done on June 17-26, 2005. The Chief reviewed the results with the Committee and it was determined that a 4-way stop was not warranted.
- b. **Wheatfield Road @ Shadow Ridge Crossing** – Stop sign placed on Shadow Ridge Crossing at Wheatfield Road.
- c. **Jefferson Street** – Chief Betten provided a handout on a Traffic Study (attached) done on June 17-26, 2005. The Chief reviewed the results with the Committee and it was determined that a stop sign was not warranted.

Action: None**Motion:** None**Disposition:** Closed

Item 4. Warning Siren Testing (Bethel) – Chief Betten informed the Committee that Tim Claxton, OFD, informed him that he was successful in having the sirens programmed to test silent on all the sirens (old and new) with at least one sounding test once a year.

Action: None**Motion:** None**Disposition:** Closed**Other Old Business**

Item 5. Class D. Parking – Class D. Parking was returned to the Committee from the Council Meeting of June 20, 2005, the Committee reviewed this Ordinance and a Motion was made by Alderman Boone to limit the pick up trucks to 22 feet and six tons and leave the remaining wording of the Ordinance as is. Chairman True hearing no second removed the Motion from the floor. Aldermen discussed the words “Commercial” and “pick-up trucks” in the revision of this Ordinance. The consensus of the Committee was to remove them. Alderman Boone amended his original Motion to remove the words “commercial” and “pick-up trucks” from the Ordinance. Alderman Medford seconded the Motion. Chairman True asked the Committee for a show of hands on this Motion. 3 ayes, 1 nay. Motion passed.

Action: None

Motion: Motion was made by Alderman Boone and seconded by Aldermen Medford to prohibit vehicle parking as follows: “No trailer or any motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight of more than six (6) tons and/or an overall length of twenty-two (22) feet or more, shall be parked on any street within the City, except during loading and unloading. Fire Department vehicles, ambulances, and vehicles owned or used by the City are exempt.”

Disposition: Closed**New Business**

Item 1. Pool Cross-Walk – Chairman True was asked to present to the Committee a request from the Parks Department to have a Cross-walk painted on 5th Street from the parking lot to the pool. Dennis Sullivan was asked the monetary costs of this project and Mr. Sullivan's reply was minimal. The

direction of the Committee was to paint a Cross-Walk on 5th Street from the parking lot to the pool. Chairman True requested all Aldermen present to vote on this request with a show of hands. 6 ayes 3 nays. The Cross-Walk was approved.

Action: Cross-Walk to be painted on 5th Street from the parking lot to the pool

Motion: None

Disposition: Closed

Item 2. Fireworks – Alderman Boone requested the Fireworks Ordinance be enforced. Chief Betten to notify the community in advance of the 4th of July advising there will be a crackdown on the use of illegal fireworks.

Action: None

Motion: None

Disposition: Closed

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

Meeting Adjourned:	8:24 p.m.
Next Meeting:	August 8, 2005
Minutes Taken By:	Jean Bevington