



Public Safety Committee Minutes
April 10, 2006, 7:00 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 10, 2006, Call to order 7:20 p.m. (delayed)

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: True, Boone, Medford, Schmidt, Reckamp
Members Not Present: Bennett
Staff Liaison: Chief Betten
Other Aldermen Present: Ned Drolet; Jerry Albrecht, John West, Nila Grogan
Other Persons Present: Walter Denton (City Admin.), Dennis Sullivan (City Engineer), Dean Rich (Finance Dept.), Chief Saunders (OFD) Pam Funk (City Admin.), Jean Bevington (OPD)
Media Persons Present: News-Democrat Reporter

Chairman True declared a quorum present and requested a Motion to approve minutes of March 13, 2006, Alderman Reckamp made a Motion to accept the March 13, 2006, minutes as presented and Alderman Schmidt seconded. All ayes.

Chairman True requested the Committee to begin with **Item 3. One-Way Alley** on the Agenda.

Old Business

Item 3. One-Way Alley – Alderman Grogan requested the Committee to consider changing the alley behind Oak Street to a one-way alley. A Motion was made by Alderman Medford to accept the request to change the alley to one-way and seconded by Alderman Boone. Ayes 4 Nays 1 Chairman True requested the Committee to drive by and view the alley and he will check with Ted Shekell, Planning and Zoning. The decision on which direction the alley would go was not decided.

Action: None

Motion: Motion to accept request to change alley to one-way

Disposition: Open

Item 1. Roundabout State & Obernuefemann Road – Dennis Sullivan, City Engineer, updated the Committee on the status of the roundabout. Dennis informed the Committee that the City Attorney, Dale Funk, sent a letter to the property owner's attorney but has not received any response to this date. Set back requirements, construction easements and legal liabilities were discussed, however, decisions of this nature will be made by our City Attorney and IDOT.

Mr. Sullivan will continue to keep the Committee updated on the progress of this project.

Action: None

Motion: None

Disposition: Open

Item 2. Keck Ridge Parking – Chief Betten informed the Committee that the New Life in Christ Church has not started the parking lot for which the City granted the grading permit. As nice weather has been available during the past 30 days, the Committee deemed enough time was allotted for the parking lot. Alderman Boone recommended to Council that the Keck Ridge area have restricted parking for residents only through to Thornbury (Keck Ridge, Planters Crossing and Knotting Hills and Thornbury). Alderman Reckamp seconded the Motion. 2 Ayes. 3 Nay Motion denied.

Action: None

Motion: None

Disposition: Open

Item 4. Litter Sign at Long Drive – Alderman Bennett presented a request from a resident of Long Drive for a Litter Sign at the March meeting. Item 4 was tabled for more information from Alderman Bennett.

Action: Alderman Bennett to Contact Taco Bell

Motion: None

Disposition: Open

New Business

Item 1. Storm Sirens – Chief Betten informed the Committee that only one of the Storm Sirens sounded on 04-02-06, all activated but the radio waves sent to activate cancelled all but one siren. Chief summarized incident as a “mechanical failure” which has been resolved. Sirens have been tested and re-tested to insure working order. Chief also informed the Committee that additional sirens have been added to the new budget to replace old sirens and place new ones.

Action: None

Motion: None

Disposition: Closed

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

Meeting Adjourned:

8:05 p.m.

Next Meeting:

May 8, 2006, 7:00 p.m.

Minutes Taken By:

Jean Bevington