



Public Safety Committee Minutes
November 10, 2008, 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 November 10, 2008. Call to order 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: True, Schmidt, J. Drolet, Polites
Members Not Present: Engler
Staff Liaison: Captain Van Hook
Other Aldermen Present: Allen Medford, John West, Rick Reckamp, J. Mouser
Other Persons Present: Walter Denton (City Adm.); Pam Funk (Assist. City Adm.); Dennis Sullivan (City Engineer), Brent Saunders (Fire Chief); Jean Bevington (OPD);
Media Persons Present: None

Chairman True declared a quorum present and requested a Motion to approve Minutes of October 13, 2008. Alderman Polites made a Motion to accept the October 13, 2008, minutes as presented and Alderman J. Drolet seconded. All ayes.

Old Business

Chairman True canvassed the Committee for Old Business hearing none Chairman True continue to new business.

New Business

Item 1. Teen Center (Not on Agenda) – Alderman J. Drolet hearing concerns about the new Teen Center (Club Ozone) addressed Capt. Van Hook on the situation from the Police Department's view point. Capt. Van Hook reported to the Committee that several issues have already been addressed by the Police Department i.e. age limits, occupancy, parking, clearing crowds and Club Ozone's security.

Action: None

Motion: None

Disposition: Closed

Item 2. Hane's Place (Not on Agenda) – Concerns regarding the change of ownership from Rick's Place to Hane's Place during the first few weeks of operation brings concerns to the downtown area in light of unfavorable activities in that area. Capt. Van Hook felt that the large crowds were associated with the new ownership and Halloween season and as time progresses he sees no immediate cause for concern.

Action: None

Motion: None

Disposition: Closed

Item 3. Speed Restrictions 35 mph Pausch Road (Not on Agenda) – Dennis Sullivan, City Engineer, informed the Committee that with the annexation of the Bluffs at Ogles Creek Subdivision along Pausch Road and the pre-annexation of land to the north of the subdivision, an ordinance to support speed restriction to 35 mph is needed. The Committee agreed to send to Council 35 mph ordinance for Pausch Road.

Action: None

Motion: None

Disposition: Closed

Item 4. Speed Restrictions 35 mph Porter Road (Not on Agenda) – Dennis Sullivan informed the Committee that when speed restrictions were recorded in the City Ordinances for roads in the vicinity of the new Family Sports Park, the section of Porter Road along the northern boundary of the new park was omitted. Dennis recommends an Ordinance be made to support the 35 mph signs now in place. The Committee agreed to send to Council the 35mph Ordinance for Porter Road.

Action: None

Motion: None

Disposition: Closed

Item 5. No Parking Signage on the East Side of Oak Street (Not on Agenda) – Dennis Sullivan, informed the Committee of a section of the east side of Oak Street which is currently no parking in the City Ordinances. It is from the northeast corner of the intersection of 3rd and Oak Street to just north of the vehicle access gate to St. Clare School off Oak. That is only a length of about 50 feet, however, the whole length of the east side of Oak Street between 2nd and 3rd is signed and painted “No Parking.” An Ordinance needs to be put in place to support this no parking issue. The Committee agreed to send to Council the “No Parking” Ordinance for this area of Oak Street.

Action: None

Motion: None

Disposition: Closed

Item 6. Speed Restrictions on Old Collinsville Road (Not on Agenda) – Dennis Sullivan informed the Committee that when Savannah Hills Subdivision was annexed into O’Fallon and the section of Old Collinsville Road as a township road became the responsibility of the City, no speed limits were set. As a result, a change to our Ordinance is needed to cover the 45 mph speed limit from Rowe Lane to Milburn School Road. After discussion of this request, it was not determined the patrolling venue (Fairview Heights or O’Fallon) of this stretch of Old Collinsville Road. This issue placed on hold until patrolling venue determined.

Action: None

Motion: None

Disposition: Open

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Polites and seconded by Alderman J. Drolet. All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned:
Next Meeting:
Minutes Taken By:

7:36 p.m.
December 08, 2008
Jean Bevington