

Proceedings of the Public Safety Committee January 16, 2019

Members Present: Councilor Tylor Elm
 Councilor Warren Bender
 Councilor Esther Dalbec

Others Present:

Councilor Dalbec called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and noted that roll call was taken by sign up.

Approval of minutes: November 15, 2018

***Motion** by Councilor Elm, seconded by Councilor Bender and carried to approve the Public Safety meeting minutes from November 15, 2018.*

Standing Agenda items:

1. Fire Department Update

Chief Panger talked about the meter grant that was obtained by the department and how it will benefit the community. The additional meter equipment has arrived and there will be some training at Lake Superior College with Duluth Fire Department and with Husky. A large area can be monitored and they can determine where the evacuation zone needs to be. Chief Panger talked about the Town Hall meeting that was held concerning the Husky incident. He said for the most part the meeting went well and there weren't any new issues.

2. Police Department Update

Chief Alexander talked about the reintroduction of the Dive team, between the Police & Fire departments. Chief Alexander said after the Husky incident we realized the benefit of having a drone. Husky has graciously agreed to fund the entire cost. Chief Alexander talked about the Pathways to Hope program, the diversion of drug offenders to treatment. So far it is going well. There have been nine people who have entered the program. Chief Alexander also talked about take home squad cars, we have four and hope to have more before the end of the year.

Motion by Councilor Bender, seconded by Councilor Elm and carried to receive and file the Fire Department and Police Department updates.

New Business

1. Discussion and approval of Section 86-22 of the City of Superior Code of Ordinances Possession of Tobacco and Vapor Products by Minors

Motion by Councilor Bendor, seconded by Councilor Elm and carried to approve the City of Superior Code of Ordinances section 860-22, Possession of Tobacco and Vapor products with amending paren 11 to read:

*(11) It is the intent of the city council, in enacting the ordinance codified in this section, to provide for the public health, safety and welfare by facilitating uniform and consistent enforcement of smoke-free air laws; by reducing the potential for re-normalizing smoking in public places and places of employment **by minors**; by reducing the potential for children to associate the use of electronic smoking devices with a normative or healthy lifestyle; and by prohibiting the sale or distribution of electronic smoking devices to minors.*

2. Discussion and approval of amending Sections 22-1, Definitions, and 22-4, of the City of Superior Code of Ordinances Potentially Dangerous or Dangerous Dogs, Introduced by City Attorney Prell

Motion by Councilor Bender, seconded by Councilor Elm and carried to approve the City of Superior Code of Ordinances Sections 22-1, Definitions, and 22-4, Potentially Dangerous or Dangerous Dogs.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.