Public Safety Committee Agenda
West Peoria City Hall
Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Additions to/or Deletions from the Agenda

4. Motion to Approve Minutes from the Regular Meeting of **March 15, 2023**

5. Motion to Receive and File the Financial Reports from **February 2023**

6. City Administrator's Report

7. Public Comment

8. Code Enforcement Report
    a. Permit List
    b. Work Order List – No report
    c. Foreclosure/Vacant Structures List – No change
    d. Nuisance Properties – No report
    e. Case Detail Report
    f. Case Summary List

9. Unfinished Business
    a. Slow Down West Peoria update
    b. Clean-Up Day April 29th update
    c. Commercial Container Enclosures update
    d. Tree replacement possibilities

10. New Business
    a. Walk the Wards Calendar
    b. FY2024 Goals

11. Public Comment

12. Motion to Adjourn

The next regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee is Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

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Notice of Potential Majority of Quorum of the City Council and its Committees

In accordance with the provisions of 5 ILCS 120 (the Illinois Open Meetings Act), notice is hereby given that a majority of a quorum of the West Peoria City Council and its Committees may attend this meeting. This event is designed to discuss City matters according to Committee descriptions.

Public Safety Committee Official Minutes
West Peoria City Hall
Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

1. Chair Reagan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. (last time!)

2. Members present were Chair Reagan, Alderpersons Thomas and Edmonds. Also present were City Administrator Krider, Alderpersons Dohm and Ruskusky, residents Marlene Carter, Colin Corbett, Matt Dillon, Bonnie Farrell, Priscilla Peterson, and Clerk Barnes. Residents Susan Schlupp and John Siewert II attended remotely.

3. There were no Additions to/or Deletions from the Agenda.

4. A Motion to approve the Minutes from the **March 15, 2023** regular meeting was made by Alderperson Thomas and seconded by Alderperson Edmonds. **Motion carried.**

5. A Motion to receive and file the Monthly Financial Report from **February 2023** was made by Alderperson Edmonds and seconded by Alderperson Thomas. **Motion carried.**

6. City Administrator's Report included that she has been working on the Budget that is now finalized and on various updates for this Committee.

7. There was no Public Comment at this time.

8. Code Enforcement Report:
    a. Permit List was reviewed. The first several on the list are completed since they were issued in 2022 and **will be removed from the list next month.**
    b. Work Order List – No report at this time.
    c. Foreclosure/Vacant Structures List – No change this month.
    d. Nuisance Properties – No report at this time.
    e. Case Detail List was reviewed.
    f. Case Summary List – There were 269 Code Violations year-to-date: 70 concerning Weeds, Garbage, and Debris, 58 Wrong-way Parking, and 42 Snow Ban were the highest numbers. Several Final Notices were sent out regarding the snow ban violations in particular and resulted in quite a few fines being paid. Others will be taken to court.

9. Unfinished Business:
    a. Slow Down West Peoria Update – Radar signs are up and working on Waverly. **Next month there will be a radar report.**

    b. Clean Up Day April 29th Update – Dumpsters have been confirmed, recycling center has been notified. There are about 13 or 14 volunteers at this time, but more are needed for the heavy lifting. **Someone suggested asking the Scouts to help**.

    c. Commercial Container Enclosures Update – Code Enforcement Officer Wallace was asked to check on all Commercial and multifamily Containers and Enclosures. There are 42 in our City. There was only an issue with one on Farmington, and another on Western. Another business is being asked to get either a larger dumpster or a second one as there seems to be more trash than can be held with only the one there currently.

d. Tree replacement possibilities – Priscilla Peterson gave a presentation about her research into a possible tree replacement for those trees that have been removed because of sidewalk or other construction projects within the City. Her research covered both national and state organizations, State University Extension Services and municipality sites. A plan for all this needs to be put in place. Things to consider in a plan include: a budget, grants, donors, and sponsors, and getting other departments within the city's scope – for example the Street Department. Other resources such as the Residents' Association, Scouts, Garden Club, and Beautification Committee are all needed for input, as well as businesses or churches nearby, which are all necessary to a successful program. Getting residents involved in the selection of the trees outside their homes is a must. Above all else, the careful selection of trees for the right place is paramount.

10. New Business

a. Walk the Wards Calendar – It was decided after a lengthy discussion that the 3rd Saturday of each month in May – September will be the days for clean-up in each of our Wards. People should be at City Hall by 9:00 a.m. for instructions, bags, gloves, and pick-up sticks. **Aldermen will be expected to help with their Wards. This will be advertised in the Newsletter, on the Community page, and the website.**

b. FY 2024 Goals – **This was tabled to next month's meeting.**

11. Public Comment – Thank you to Priscilla for all her research.
Chair Reagan mentioned that this is his last meeting for the Public Safety Committee. After 12 years it is time to step aside. He still lives here and owns a home so will continue to be involved as he can.
It was noted that this is Alderperson Thomas' last meeting in Public Safety too.

12. A Motion to Adjourn was made by Alderperson Thomas at 7:03 p.m. and seconded by Alderperson Edmonds. **Motion carried.**

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Respectfully submitted,

Mary M. Barnes

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