



Public Safety Committee Agenda
West Peoria City Hall
Wednesday, October 18, 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 the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of **September 20, 2023**
5. Motion to Receive and File the Financial Report from **August 2023**
6. City Administrator's Report
7. Public Comment
8. Code Enforcement Report
 - a. Permit List
 - b. Work Order List
 - c. Foreclosure/Vacant Structures List
 - d. Nuisance Properties
 - e. Open Case Report
 - f. Case Summary List
9. Unfinished Business
 - a. Slow Down West Peoria – Radar Data Review
 - b. Chronic Nuisance Properties draft review
10. New Business
 - a. Emergency Plan Annual Review
11. Public Comment
12. Motion to Adjourn

The next regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee is Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at 6:30

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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
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1. In the absence of Chair Ruskusky, Alderperson Abraham called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Members present were Alderpersons Abraham and Menke. Also present were Alderperson Dohm, Street Department Manager Hess, Administrator Krider, Peoria Park District Police Chief Todd Green, residents Jeanne McMasters, Bonnie Farrell, Bob DeSutter, Becky Burton, and Priscilla Peterson. Alderperson Mathewson and resident Susan Schlupp attended remotely. Chair Silver, Mayor Dillon and Clerk Barnes were absent.
3. There were no Additions to/or Deletions from the Agenda.
4. A Motion to approve the Minutes from the **September 20, 2023** regular meeting was made by Alderperson Menke and seconded by Alderperson Abraham. **Motion carried.**
5. A Motion to receive and file the Monthly Financial Report from **August 2023** was made by Alderperson Menke and seconded by Alderperson Abraham. **Motion carried.**
6. City Administrator's Report – Administrator Krider mentioned she has been working on the projects for the Transportation Committee and drafted some of the items for tonight's meeting.
7. Public Comment: Chief Green from the Peoria Park District introduced himself and covered some of the current procedures for their department. Currently, the Park District has 4 full-time officers and some part-time officers. All officers are full-fledged officers and must go through all the training and classes as the Peoria Officers or the County Deputies. He encouraged residents to call 911 if they see violence at the park or if they feel threatened. In all other cases, call Peoria County Dispatch at (309) 672-6011 to report suspicious activities. With an intergovernmental agreement, the County or the Park District will respond to the call depending on availability. Residents voiced concerns regarding the dark walking path as well as the lack of surveillance in that area. Chief Green reassured residents that they are currently discussing possible cameras at some of the parks and safety is their number one goal at all the parks. He thanked the ongoing partnership between the city and the Park District and asked anyone to contact him if they have any questions or concerns.
8. Code Enforcement Report:
 - a. Permit List – There are currently 105 permits for the city. It was clarified that the city does not do any inside inspections or require permits for jobs, such as electrical. The Fire Department will conduct inspections on new or remodeled commercial buildings.
 - b. Work Order List – was reviewed.
 - c. Foreclosure/Vacant Structures List – Currently there are four properties registered with the new platform.
 - d. Nuisance Properties – none at this time.
 - e. Open Case Report – was reviewed and Administrator Krider explained the snow ban ticket process. Those tickets are the ones that were not paid. The city will hold them for a couple more years to see if they have multiple violations before taking them to court.
 - f. Case Summary List - was reviewed. Of the 1088 violations (through September 29, 2023) 363 were for weed/grass height, 267 were for weeds and debris, and 142 were for wrong-way parking.

9. Unfinished Business:

- a. Slow Down West Peoria – Radar Data Review: This month’s reports were for Waverly Ave. between Alice Ave. and Clarke Ave. and Manor Parkway between Sterling Ave. and Waverly Ave. It was mentioned that September 1st seems to have a high volume of traffic on Waverly Ave. Staff believe this is due to the timing when that radar was moved, and it possibly picked up some of the Swords Ave. data.
- b. Chronic Nuisance Properties draft review – Administrator Krider explained the current draft to the committee and **asked that any changes be sent to her as soon as possible.** The City Attorney is also looking at the current draft to see what parts the city could enforce and what parts would have to be removed. At the next meeting, we hope to present the final draft of this ordinance.

10. New Business:

- a. Emergency Plan Annual Review – Administrator Krider explained that Chair Ruskusky’s goal is to ensure that this plan is reviewed annually, and the Council is familiar and ready to act if needed. The process will include having the committee look at the plan and make recommendations on changes, then reach out to the Fire Department and Peoria County Sheriff’s Office for their input. The final step would involve the whole council and first responders to ensure everyone is familiar with the plan. **Committee members were asked to review and make notes of any changes by the next meeting.**

11. Public Comment – resident Peterson reminded everyone about leaving any cars running and unattended. Officers will be enforcing the state law that prohibits leaving a running vehicle unattended. Alderperson Dohm suggested having all Council members and staff complete a CPR class as part of the Emergency Plan review process.

12. A Motion to Adjourn was made by Alderperson Menke at 7:30 p.m. and seconded by Alderperson Abraham. **Motion carried.**

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Respectfully submitted,



Kinga Krider, City Administrator

