Public Safety Committee
April 12, 2022

City Hall Conference Room

AGENDA

- Call to Order

- Approval of Minutes

- Police Chief Report

- Fire Chief Report

- Safety Service Director Comments

- Old Business

- New Business
  - Police Grants
  - Temporary increase of police department strength ordinance
  - Police Captain salary range adjustment

- Adjourn

Safety Service Committee
20 S. Walnut Street

Minutes
April 12, 2022

Committee members present: Chairman Rich Hays, John Stahl and Andy Hitt
City representatives in attendance: Mayor, Patrick Closser; Safety Service Director, Rex Castle; Fire/EMS Chief, Todd Eades; Police Chief, Glenn Nicol and Executive Assistant, Amy Rees

Mr. Hays called the meeting to order at 5:03pm.

The minutes of the March 8, 2022 meeting were approved as written.

Chief Nicol – London Police Division - Report attached

Chief Eades – London Fire/EMS Department - Report attached
Additional comments:

- The Department has responded to 761 calls for service so far this year

Rex Castle – Safety Service Director

- Has been in the position of SSD for one year
- Will be working to improve the residential code violation and enforcement process

OLD BUSINESS
Farmland within the City – no updates

NEW BUSINESS
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Police Department Strength Ordinance

- Due to a potential, upcoming retirement, Chief Nicol requested that the Police Department strength ordinance be temporarily increased to allow the hiring process to begin. This will enable a qualified officer candidate to enter the police academy prior to the current officer's specific retirement date.
    - Mr. Hitt moved to temporarily increase the Police Department's strength ordinance from the current twenty officers to twenty-one. Mr. Stahl seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Hays will sponsor legislation for City Council consideration.

Police Captain Salary Range

- The Police Captain salary range was not updated when all other city salaries were adjusted. Chief Nicol is requesting that the salary range be corrected to reflect recent pay scale increases.
- Mr. Castle suggested tabling the pay scale adjustment until the end of the year when all salaries will be reevaluated. The committee agreed and the topic was tabled.

Fire Equipment Donation

- Chief Eades requested that expired turnout gear be donated to Tolles Technical School for training purposes only.
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The meeting adjourned at 5:40pm

Respectfully submitted by: Amy Rees

LONDON POLICE DIVISION

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- We plan on obtaining a certified list from the CSC this week and select an applicant to fill one current open officer position.
- We are preparing for the next step in the sergeant promotional process, with panel interviews to be held as the next step.
- Participated in presentations for the town hall meetings explaining the facility needs assessment.
- We held two classes for countywide LE agencies at city hall for the required state continuing professional training and will be hosting several more throughout the year.
- The additional body cameras were ordered after the OCJS grant was approved last month. They are not expected for six months due to a backlog in production.
- We are actively looking at new grant funding opportunities that were recently released and determining how they would best fit in with our needs and plans.
- Attended the annual safety committee meeting for the London City School District.
- We have notified Ohio Edison of over 100 street lights malfunctioning throughout the city over the past couple of months.

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April 2022 Summary for Safety Committee

Activities & Events

- Departmental EMS Training-Medic refresher/ Advanced Cardiac Life Support. Ohio Health
- Departmental EMS Training- Two Patients, One provider. Madison Health
- Departmental Fire Training- Pump training, apparatus placement.
- Completed preventative maintenance on Cardiac monitors and Mechanical CPR devices.
- Began Hydrant flushing.
- Fire safety/extinguisher training at London Health and Rehab.
- Completed Hose testing.
- Participated in Safety Town planning.
- Participated in High School escort for State Championship Wrestler.

Respectfully Submitted,

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