

**PUBLIC SAFETY
AGENDA
May 19th, 2016
4:30 P.M.**

- I. Agenda Changes

- II. Adoption of Minutes
 1. March 17th 2016

- III. Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

- IV. Introduction of New Police Officers

- V. Police Training Academy

- VI. General Information

- VII. Town Council Agenda

- VIII. Next Meeting Date: June 16th, 2016

- IX. Adjournment

**Public Safety Committee
Minutes
May 19th, 2016**

Mrs. Gulley called the meeting to order at 4:30 P.M. Committee members present included Tina Gulley, Chairperson; Deborah Ball and Chris Vincent.

Also present: Jim Hudson, Mayor; Wayne Healy, Town Council Member; John Edwards, Town Manager; Karen Barrow, Town Clerk; Bobby Mawyer, Chief of Police; Holly McGowan, Director of Community Development and Walt Feurer, Director of Public Works.

I. Agenda Changes

There were no changes made to the agenda.

II. Adoption of Minutes

1. March 17th, 2016

Mr. Vincent made a motion to adopt the minutes with amendments, seconded by Deborah Ball. Upon a unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

III. Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Holly McGowan advised that Town Staff have been attending regional meeting once a month for about two years. If Town Council adopts the plan, it would update the current plan and assist with federal funding if there is a federal disaster. FEMA just approved the plan and there is a resolution that needs to be adopted.

The consensus of the members present is to place the Resolution on the Town Council agenda to adopt the plan.

IV. Introduction of New Police Officers

Chief Mawyer introduced two new police officers, Benjamin Langford and Sherman Holland. Officer Langford is from Middlesex and Officer Holland is from Portsmouth and previously worked at the City of Richmond.

V. Training Academy

Chief Bobby Mawyer advised that the PD is currently members of Hampton Roads Academy, in comparison Crator has a lot of opportunity. Crator has 120 acres that they use for training and are looking to develop their own Driver Training facility on site which would make them the only onsite facility in Virginia. The Director of Crator is very innovated and one of the innovated things he has done is to create a non-profit foundation so that businesses can donate to training. Last year they offered approximately 274 programs to federal, state and local agencies. New

Kent is affiliated with Crator and has a satellite office in their facilities that allows an officer to renew their certification.

Mrs. Gulley asked what the cost was to move Academies.

Bobby Mawyer advised the requirement would be to pay Hampton Roads for the next two years, the academies establish their programs based on budgeting and annual membership fees. Crator is willing to waive the first year of contributions, the seconded year they are willing to allow us to pay our contributions in kind with possibly training or a car. The Town would not be paying for two memberships at the same time. Crator would be a really good fit for the WPPD and we would see the benefits from the beginning.

Mr. Edwards asked what can Town Council do to assist with the transition.

Bobby Mawyer advised he would need to draft a letter for Hampton Roads Academy by October authorizing the Police Department to be removed from the Academy, Hampton Road would need to vote on it at the next board meeting before October.

VI. General Information

1 VML Supper Meeting

Mr. Edwards advised that the VML Dinner has been cancelled.

2 Boat Ramp Dedication

Mr. Edwards advised that the Boat Ramp Dedication will be on Tuesday, May 24th 2016 at 11:00 A.M.

3 Wine Festival

Bobby Mawyer advised that a notice just went out Cancelling the Wine Festival on Saturday due to the rain.

VII. Town Council Agenda

Mrs. Gulley asked the Town Manager to place the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan on the Town Council agenda.

VIII. Next Meeting Date: June 16th 2016

IX. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mrs. Gulley adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.



Tina Gulley
Chairperson

ATTEST:



Karen M. Barrow
Town Clerk