

**PUBLIC SAFETY
AGENDA
July 20th, 2017
4:30 P.M.**

- I. Agenda Changes

- II. Adoption of Minutes
 - 1. April 20th 2017

- III. Bridges of Change

- IV. Main Street Speed Study

- V. Police Officer Hiring Update

- VI. Accreditation Update

- VII. General Information
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- IX. Next Meeting Date: August 17th, 2017

- X. Adjournment

**Public Safety Committee
Minutes
July 20th, 2017**

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

Also present: Mayor Jim Hudson; Paul Kelley, Town Council Member; John Edwards, Town Manager; Karen Barrow, Town Clerk and Bobby Mawyer, Chief of Police.

I. Agenda Changes

There were no changes made to the agenda.

II. Adoption of Minutes

1. April 20th, 2017

Mrs. Gulley made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented, seconded by Mrs. Ball. Upon a unanimous vote the motion was approved.

III. Bridges of Change

Chief Bobby Mawyer advised that there is a new group comprising of myself, Sheriff Joe McLaughlin from New Kent, Sheriff Walton from King William, Delegate Chris Peace, Kelly Avellino and Kurt Autry from NBC12 and a representative from King and Queen County that are addressing issues with Domestic Violence. The goal is to establish a Shelter in the Eltham area that would cover our region. The organization is in the process of submitting various grant applications to the State, Federal and at the corporate level. There are also some fundraisers scheduled that include one for Saturday, August 26th 2017 at the Colonial Kitchen and Market located at New Kent Courthouse from 3 p.m. till 8 p.m. There will be a number of celebrities waiting tables, the tips and a portion of the cost of each meal will be donated to support the cause. Donations can be made to 'Bridges of Change'.

Mr. Edwards asked if the organization can provide Domestic Violence awareness programs in the schools for less than \$250 per student.

Chief Mawyer advised it might be possible and that he would make some inquires.

IV. Main Street Speed Study

Chief Mawyer advised that equipment was used to capture some data that has allowed the police department to document some information for Main Street. The times and dates that were recorded are: 1) May 4th from 6 P.M. till 10:00 P.M. There were 137 vehicles that traveled on Main Street with speeds between 11MPH and 33MPH. 2) May 5th between 5:30 A.M. till 6:30

P.M. There were 1,024 vehicles during this time that traveled at speeds between 11 MPH and 36 MPH. The 36 MPH occurred at 9 am.

Mrs. Gulley asked if the equipment has been used in other areas in Town.

Chief Mawyer advised yes, on Kirby Street and Mattaponi Avenue during the last week of school.

Mrs. Gulley asked Chief Mawyer to share this information with the town citizen that brought this issue to the attention of Town Council.

Chief Mawyer advised that he would share this information with the public.

Paul Kelley advised that his concerns are when parents are dropping off children at the Methodist Church day care. The parents open their car doors while cars are driving pass and they let children out of the vehicles while cars are passing. This is a major safety concern that needs to be addressed before an accident occurs and a child is seriously injured.

Mr. Edwards advised that there were complaints to the Church when children were dropped off on the side street and that it might be a good time for the Chief to have a safety discussion with the Church at the same time the speed study is discussed.

V. Police Officer Hiring Update

Chief Mawyer advised that a new officer has been hired, his name is Daryl Fair. Daryl comes from Hampton University and went on his first ride along with Jason Harlow yesterday.

VI. Accreditation Update

Chief Mawyer advised that the Accreditation renewal is underway, the first mock-assessment will be on August 1st. The assessment will be around September 25th.

VII. General Information

1. Projects Update

Mr. Edwards gave a report on the following projects: 1) Repairs to the bike trail are complete. 2) The Safe Routes to School project has begun. 3) VDOT has taken over the repairs to the sidewalks on King William Avenue and are now doing the repairs. 4) The sidewalk on Magnolia Avenue is in the final agreement stages with VDOT and King William County.

2. Police Department Chaplin

Chief Mawyer advised that the Police Chaplin, Reverend Bill Palmer, will have his 50th anniversary for his Ordination this coming Sunday.

3. 5th Street Update

Paul Kelley asked if the police department has received any calls recently regarding 5th Street.

Chief Mawyer stated he knows of no recent issues, but the police department will continue to monitor the area.

VIII. Town Council Agenda

There were no items for the Town Council Agenda.

IX. Next Meeting Date: August 17th 2017

X. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mrs. Gulley adjourned the meeting at 5:15 P.M.


Tina Gulley
Chairperson

ATTEST:


Karen M. Barrow
Town Clerk