

**PUBLIC SAFETY
AGENDA
October 19th, 2017
4:30 P.M.**

- I. Agenda Changes
- II. Adoption of Minutes
 1. July 20th 2017
- III. Accreditation
- IV. Crab Carnival
- V. Hiring Update
- VI. Domestic Violence Patch Project
- VII. General Information
 1. Bridges for Change
 2. Community Service Projects
- VIII. Town Council Agenda
- IX. Next Meeting Date: November 16th, 2017
- X. Adjournment

**Public Safety Committee
Minutes
October 19th, 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; 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. July 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. Accreditation

Bobby Mawyer advised that the Accreditation is complete and that the next step is to travel to Bristol to receive a "Certificate of Accreditation".

IV. Crab Carnival

Bobby Mawyer advised that the estimated crowd number was approximately 20,000 people. The event was very successful with no issues.

V. Hiring Update

Bobby Mawyer advised that the Town did not receive any suitable applications from candidates that are certified Law Enforcement Officers in Virginia, there is one suitable candidate that has a certification from North Carolina. We are reviewing the process and if the background check is satisfactory we will move forward with hiring the candidate.

VI. Domestic Violence Patch Project

Bobby Mawyer advised that for the month of October the police officer's will be wearing a purple patch on their right arm, the patches are for sale for \$10.00 as a fundraiser for Bridges for Change.

VII. General Information

1. Bridges for Change

Bobby Mawyer advised that the Bridges of Change fundraiser at Colonial Kitchen raised approximately \$3,500. For the month of November there will be a No Shave fundraiser, the Mayor, Town Manager and I will go without shaving for the month. Anyone wanting to participate is welcome and we will accept donations on behalf of the project.

2. Community Service Projects

1. Jessica Gonzales, a 6th grader from Ms. Goines Civic program provided survival kits for the members of West Point Police Department. The survival kits contained candy with a note attached that reads; Life Savers because you are one; Star Burst, because you are a star; Payday, because you don't make enough money; Mounds Bar, because you have mounds of work to do. This was a very thoughtful act and means a lot to our officers.
2. The police department has received 25 gun locks from the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries and we have some coloring books on gun safety. For this project we will ask for citizens to bring a child by for a coloring book and the adult will receive a gun lock.

3. Filming Crew

There will be filming crews in West Point to film an episode for Homeland. The scout has been looking at an area on Main Street that would require a portion of Main Street to be closed.


VIII. Town Council Agenda

There were no items for the Town Council Agenda.

IX. Next Meeting Date: November 16th 2017

X. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mrs. Gulley adjourned the meeting at 5:05 P.M.



Tina Gulley
Chairperson