



# WILDWOOD

Meeting of the  
**BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY**  
**Deer Management Subcommittee**  
**Tuesday, October 1, 2019**

Wildwood City Hall Community Room  
16860 Main Street

**APPROVED**

Committee Members in Attendance:

Marshall Scott Collier  
Board Member Dave Williams  
Sgt Brad Wendling, St Louis County Police

Also Present:

Rick Brown, Director of Public Works / City Engineer  
Brendan Maher, Civil Engineer  
Sarah Van Woert, Police Analyst, St. Louis County Police

**I. ROLL CALL**

A roll call was taken at 6:00 pm, with the above noted as present.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Board Member Dave Williams made a motion to approve minutes from the August 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. Marshall Scott Collier seconded the motion. All voted aye.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT**

A. None

**IV. DEVELOPMENT OF RESIDENT SURVEY**

- A. Michelle Scherer, Administrative Assistant of Public Works, provided a draft of a survey to the Committee, that was based on collecting geographic information, information about deer siting, and gathering public opinions about various management topics and methods. Three deer surveys from various organizations were provided as research for the survey project.
- B. Committee Members looked over the survey and provided feedback. Sarah Van Woert, Police Analyst, advised as to how she would format the survey. All concluded that some education of the topic would have to be provided before a certain level of questioning.

**V. PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAM**

- A. The Committee talked about current topics for the education program such as hunting ordinances, no feeding ordinance, crash reports, overpopulation of deer effects on environment, public health, deer health, things we can't do to control deer, costs, effective methods of population control. An outline was provided containing a list of possible avenues for information sharing.
- B. Rick Brown, Director of Public Works offered that a PR firm used by the City could start an education campaign on social media that could be linked to the website for more information. Sarah Van Woert talked about the use of story maps on the survey or on the City's website.

**VI. POTENTIAL CAPTURE AND CULL PROGRAM**

- A. Chair David Williams presented an update on his personal research into a possible deer trapping program. He stated that the Department of Conservation approves of the use of Clover Traps. His recommendation was to begin investigating locations where Clover Traps could be used.
- B. Sgt. Wendling stated that no trapping or control could take place without a recent deer sampling survey. There was a question to put to the Department of Conservation as to whether the 2018 survey was recent enough, and if so, where could trapping take place, who would manage the trapping, the euthanasia, and all that is involved to getting the donation to Share the Harvest.

**VII. MISC.**

**VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE: TBD**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Chair David Williams to adjourn, this was seconded by Sgt. Wendling. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Scherer  
Administrative Assistant