



**Meeting Minutes of the
BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

July 7, 2022

6:30 pm

Via Zoom

16860 Main Street

APPROVED

Committee Members in Attendance:

Marshal Jeff Bader

Board Member Chris Preston

Board Member Vince Loyal

Council Member Liaison Dave Bertolino

Also Present:

Rick Brown, Director of Public Works

Steve Cross, City Administrator

Police Liaison Captain James Mundel, St. Louis County Police

Metro West Liaison, Deputy Chief Fire Marshal Rod Cook

Absent:

John Bradley, Assistant Chief of the Metro Fire District

I. ROLL CALL

A roll call was taken at 6:33 pm, with the above noted as present.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Vince Loyal made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on April 7, 2022. Chris Preston seconded the motion. All Board Members voted in favor and the minutes were approved.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. No items

IV. FOR INFORMATION

- A. No items

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. No items

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proposed Modification to Animal Regulations

1. Captain Mundel explained that the “Wildwood Animals At Large” code does not match the St Louis County code. He recommends changing the Wildwood Code to match it for law enforcement purposes.
2. The topic was discussed, and the group was not comfortable changing it without knowing the history behind the Wildwood version of the code.
3. **MOTION:** Council Member Liaison Dave Bertolino made a motion for the City Administrator and Director of Public Works to discuss with the City Attorney the need for consistency with County Code. Board Member Vince Loyal seconded the motion and none opposed.

B. Discussion Regarding School Safety

1. Council Member Dave Bertolino opened a discussion about supporting school safety in Wildwood. He stated that he would invite a discussion between the Board of Public Safety, local law enforcement, and Rockwood School District Security at the next Board of Public Safety Meeting.
2. City Administrator Cross mentioned that Council Member Harder is currently working on an initiative to color code school hallways for first responders to use as location and identification purposes during emergencies.
3. **MOTION:** Vince Loyal made a motion to invite Rockwood School District to discuss their safety plan, whether it should be in an open or closed session. Council Member Liaison Dave Bertolino seconded the motion. None opposed and the motion carried.

C. Taylor Road Speeding Traffic Concerns

1. Public Works Director Rick Brown explained that a resident living on Taylor Road has been complaining about speeding on the section between Highway 109 and Manchester. The current speed limit is 25 miles per hour. Police have conducted a speed study at the north end and found with about 1000 cars a day, the average speed is 33 miles per hour.
2. To bring attention to the current speed limit, Rick Brown recommends installing the Keep Kids Alive 25 signage in that area. He argued that the crosswalks on Taylor Rd. and the proximity of the Greenway trail make it a suitable location.

3. City Administrator Cross questioned whether the fines are, in fact, doubled for tickets issued in Keep Kids Alive 25 areas. The group confirmed that he should confirm with the courts and table the topic.
4. **MOTION:** Board Member Vince Loyal made a motion to table the topic until Administrator Cross can discuss ticketing of areas containing Keep Kids Alive signage, with the courts, and report back to the Board. Board Member Chris Preston seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. No items

VIII. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, August 11, 2022, at 6:30 pm

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Liaison Dave Bertolino put forth a motion to adjourn and Vince Loyal seconded the motion. All members voted aye, and the meeting adjourned at 7: 19 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Scherer
Administrative Assistant for Public Works