

MINUTES of the Public Safety Commission meeting for the Town of Burrillville held on Tuesday, July 22, 2008 at 6:00 p. m. in the Burrillville Town Hall, 105 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, Rhode Island 02830.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Thomas Partridge, Chief Joseph Bertholic, Chief Robert Bishop, Chief John DeFusco, Chief Augustine Eddy, Chief Mark St. Pierre, Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, Lt. Lareto Guglietta, Burrillville Police Department, Thomas Kravitz, Town Planner, Richard Bernardo, Director of Public Works, Jason Rhodes, Emergency Management Director.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Joseph Raymond, Building/Zoning Official

OTHERS PRESENT: None

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting of Public Safety Commission called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Thomas Partridge, Chairperson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by Lt. Lareto Guglietta and seconded by Chief Augustine Eddy to approve minutes from Burrillville Public Safety Commission meeting of June 24, 2008 and dispense with reading of said minutes. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

INVOICES/BILLS TO BE DISCUSSED AND ACTED ON: None.

CITIZEN COMMENT: None.

CONSULTANT / STAFF REPORTS: None.

OLD BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND ACTED ON:

1. Discussion, consideration and action relative to the request of the Town Council to front the funds for portable radios:
 - a. Lt. Guglietta submitted the required invoices to the Town Manager; however an additional request for one additional portable radio was submitted by Chief Bishop. This request has been added to the Town Council meeting agenda for July 23, 2008. Again, the town will front the funds, then be reimbursed by the Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency via federal grant funds.
 - b. Discussion was held regarding Talk Group assignments. It was decided to hold a meeting of department heads to confirm configuration of Talk Groups.
 - c. Discussion was held relative to acquiring new 800 mHz portable radios for the Department of Public Works.

2. Discussion, consideration and action relative to the report on items discussed from previous meeting:
 - a. Traffic / parking issues
 - i. Town Manager Wood relayed that the Town Council is addressing on-street parking on Sayles Avenue and considering options.
 - ii. Lt. Guglietta stated the Police Department is addressing on-street parking on East Avenue in the vicinity of the Burrillville High School.
 - iii. Discussion was held regarding on-street parking on Centennial Street, in the area between Grove Lane and Spring Lane.
 - iv. Discussion was held regarding the intersection at Centennial Street and Grove Street. Town Engineer Bernardo will report at the next meeting.
3. Discussion, consideration and action relative to a traffic calming presentation by Tom Kravitz, Town Planner:
 - a. A presentation was conducted by Town Planner Kravitz, providing information on potential traffic calming initiatives available.
4. Discussion, consideration and action relative to new public safety related topics/subjects for discussion: None.

NEW BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND ACTED ON

1. Chairperson Partridge opened discussion for the agenda deadline: it was decided to set the deadline for the Tuesday one week prior to the scheduled Burrillville Public Safety Commission meeting, by 4:00 p.m., pending approval at the next meeting. Agenda requests are to be submitted to the Secretary and the Town Manager's Office.
2. Town Manager Wood requested a list of alternates for each commission member and staff member be submitted to his office. The alternates will then be submitted for approval at the next Town Council meeting
3. Discussion was held regarding meeting that exceed one hour; the Council chambers are reserved at 7:00 p.m. for the Burrillville Redevelopment Agency.
4. Discussion was held regarding location of Burrillville Public Safety Commission meetings: locations to be considered are Council chambers, the Jesse M. Smith Memorial Library and local fire stations.
5. Town Engineer Bernardo reported on local bridge situations and crosswalks:
 - a. Shippee Bridge, Sherman Farm Road
 - b. East Avenue stone arch bridge
 - c. Round Top Bridge: Callahan School Street
 - d. Chapel Street bridge
 - e. Harrisville village crosswalks
6. No votes were taken on the aforementioned items.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Chief Bertholic and seconded by Chief Bishop to adjourn at 6:53 p.m. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Submitted by:

Jason M. Rhodes, Secretary

Date: July 25, 2008

Date filed with the Town Clerk: July 25, 2008