

CITY OF HUDSON
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
December 6, 2018

PRESENT: Alderpersons Morrissette and Hall.

EXCUSED: Alderperson Alms.

ALSO PRESENT: Chief Geoff Willems, Chief Scott St. Martin, Interim Chief Josh Olson, Tim Erickson, and Melanie Herberg.

A copy of the agenda was posted in City Hall lobbies, delivered to the Hudson Star-Observer, and mailed to committee members on December 5, 2018.

Alderperson Morrissette called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 10, 2018 MEETING: MOTION by Hall, SECOND by Morrissette to accept the minutes of the November 10, 2018 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ERECT 15MPH SCHOOL ZONE SPEED LIMIT SIGNS ON WESTBOUND SUMMER STREET AND SOUTHBOUND HOYT STREET: Tim Erickson, CFO of the Hudson School District, explained that the Safe Routes to School was a consortium of representative from schools and city & village leaders who look at safe walking routes for students. He explained that by implementing small recommendations, grant funds may be made available for larger projects. Morrissette stated he'd never heard of this organization and would like to see better communication with the city.

Erickson stated that the recommended signage was not prompted by an incident or specific request, rather it was a recommendation from the planner. The recommendations encourage walking and biking to school safely.

MOTION by Hall, SECOND by Morrissette to install 15MPH school zone speed limit signage on westbound Summer Street or southbound Hoyt Street. MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ERECT DIGITAL SPEED SIGNS ON CARMICHAEL ROAD NEAR THE HUDSON MIDDLE SCHOOL: Chief Willems stated that this was a recommendation from the Safe Routes to School. He stated that the area was dark and had odd crosswalks at the four way stop. Morrissette asked if grant funds were available. Erickson stated they were not, but the school may be able to help. Morrissette was hesitant to address the lighting issue since the Carmichael Road corridor study may already address it. Willems stated that Public Works Director Mike Mroz informed him that there may be funds available.

MOTION by Hall, SECOND by Morrissette to recommend the issue be forwarded to the full Council with a funding recommendation from Mroz and to share the information with the school district. MOTION CARRIED.

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INFORMATION ITEMS: None.

EMS/FIRE DEPARTMENT/POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

Josh Olson stated he's completed the RFP.

All new hires have been cleared for coverage and 87% of the shifts are covered.

They conducted interviews today.

There were 150 calls with 30 transfers.

Chief St. Martin stated that the ladder truck arrived and there is a video on the city web site highlighting the truck features.

The move is tentatively scheduled for Feb 2020.

I94 is reopened and lane shift have been removed.

Chief Willems stated candidates have tested, interviews are scheduled for next week after which he'll have a list to the Police & Fire Commission.

Morrisette inquired if the radios have been ordered. Willems stated that he's received two bids and needs one more.

OTHER ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS: Drug Investigator's Report.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Hall, SECOND by Morrisette to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Minutes by Melanie Herberg.