

Public Health & Safety Committee Report for the Meeting of December 3rd, 2014

Present were Director John Rita, Deputy Police Chief Michael Cornell, Fire Chief James Klinker, 911 Supervisor Jim McGeever, Alderman Leticia Vieyra, Alderman James Johanson, and myself. Also present were Alderman Marcia Stone, Mr. Allan Stevo arrived late. Absent were Alderman Buckner, Alderman Johnson, and Don Marchbanks, The meeting was called to order at 7:00.

Citizens Concerns

There were no citizens present at the start of the meeting.

Fire Department Report

The Fire Department had 290 calls in November, 192 were EMS calls
140 Patients were treated
125 Patients were transported
34 Patients refused transport

They responded to 21 general fire alarms, and 19 minor fire alarms.

They responded to 28 auto aid calls, most calls were from Calumet Park.

They had 27 calls to man the station.

They received 3 mutual aid response calls. All were ambulance calls.

Average response time was 5.17 minutes.

There were several small fires in November, none were significant. There was a garage fire, an space heater fire, and two cooking fires.

On October 30th paramedics Joseph Olson, Matt Stedman, and Joseph Guarascio responded to a “witnessed arrest” at York and Western and have received a letter of commendation from MetroSouth Medical Center.

On November 8th Firefighters Olson, Stedman, and Rauch responded to an Auto Aid Structure Fire in Alsip.

Medical Reimbursement Services for November was \$30,265.33

Fire Recovery collected \$1576.00 in the month of November.

False Fire Alarm Fees Collected: \$160.00

General

Probationary Firefighter William Hall started Monday November 3, 2014. Firefighter Hall completed his four weeks of days and has been placed on 2nd shift.

Probationary Firefighter Joseph Pinnick started Monday November 24, 2014. Firefighter Pinnick is currently completing his four weeks of day shifts. He will be assigned to 1st Shift effective December 22nd, 2014.

Jackie Mathis is retiring from the Fire Department.

This brings all shifts up to seven full time men. Firefighter Lichtenfeld is currently undergoing a duty disability pension process.

Maintenance

Ambulance 2162: Repaired Torque Converter and Flywheel repaired by Rizza.
Fuel Leak repaired by Rizza
Transmission Sensor repaired by Rizza. Total cost of repairs was \$2702.07
Still needs water pump replaced by City mechanic.
Still needs AC repair.

Ambulance 2152: Shoreline Receptacle replaced in house.

Engine 2103: Needs a new Starter. Lt. Kunz is getting an estimate.

Training

The training division has completed 581 hours of training for the month of November.

No State Certification Tests were given this month.

Grants

Air Pack Grant update. Airpacks should be delivered within two weeks.

Small Equipment Grant Illinois OSFM – The Fire Department has applied for \$22,600 of new Personal Protective Equipment. No reply yet.

2014 AFG Grant – Application period is open through December 5th, 2014. We have applied for new ambulances.

Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Agreement

Chief Klinker gave a short explanation of the MABAS Agreement Addendum. This was an update to keep us in compliance with Federal Law. A motion was made by Alderman Vieyra, second by Alderman Johanson. A voice vote was taken. The motion passed.

Police Department Report

The Police Department answered 2025 calls including 363 business/premise checks, and 101 liquor establishment checks.

Stats/Cases of Interest

90 Alarm Calls (all unfounded)
3 Armed Robberies (1 unfounded)
1 Robbery
1 Burglary
12 Residential Burglaries (1 unfounded)
10 Shots Fired (7 unfounded)

99 Domestic Disputes
21 Foot Patrols in Residential Neighborhoods
311 Traffic and Investigative Stops

Total money collected for the month of November \$39,135.49

18,736 miles patrolled.

Calls of Interest

On 11/4/14 there was an armed robbery at the corner store at 2216 Des Plaines.

On 11/15/14 there was an armed robbery at Auto Zone at 12000 Western.

Liquor Establishment Calls

1 disturbance calls, 2 suspicious persons, 1 battery, and 2 fight calls were received in November on liquor establishments.

Training

November 10th eleven officers attended Traffic Stop/Use of Force Training

November 13th sixteen officers attended Traffic Stop/Use of Force Training

This training consisted of two sections:

- 1) Classroom review of use of force and traffic stop procedures.
- 2) Scenario based traffic stop training using live scenarios and simmunition rounds.

November 20th five part-time officers attended Parking Ticket/Local Ordinance Class

This class focused on parking and local ordinance enforcement, snow route enforcement, tow procedures and local court procedures.

Miscellaneous

The Community Policing Unit forwarded a list of “Heating Centers” to the Office of the Deputy Chief of Police.

Community Policing Unit (CPU)

Several senior checks were conducted throughout the City. Assistance was given to a senior who was having heating problems.

CPU answered several calls by area grade schools regarding truancy, child abuse, and mob action.

CPU conducted “Lockdown Drills” at Whittier School, Paul Revere, Paul Revere Intermediate, and Greenwood School. The remaining schools will be checked in December.

Part Time Officer Ordinance

Deputy Chief Cornell gave an overview of the Amendment to the Part Time Officer Ordinance. This Amendment is necessary to put Blue Island in compliance with State Training Board and State Law. A motion for approval was made by Alderman Johanson, second by Alderman Vieyra. A voice vote was taken. Motion passed.

Events

December 6th will be the Fill a Cruiser food drive for Angel's Touch at Memorial Park

December 6th will also be the Christmas Light Parade.

December 31st will be Rock Around the Clock at Vermont and Western

911 Center

The 911 Center received 12,105 calls in November.

Supervisor McGeever supplied a list of Code Red activations made this year.

There was a discussion of the accident involving a pedestrian at the train crossing at 127th and Winchester.

BIEMA

In the month of November, BIEMA logged a total of 349.5 hours. Highlights for the month of November include the Veteran's Day Parade, 2 mutual aid responses and a thorough assessment of equipment and facilities to determine what is needed for future operations.

Monthly Health and Sanitation Report

In the month of November 23 Health and Sanitation Inspections were done.

Aldermen's Concerns

None

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Our next regular meeting will be January 7th at 7:00 pm in the East Annex.

Respectfully submitted,
Candace Carr
4th Ward Alderman