

Public Safety Committee Public Meeting/Hearing

December 21, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Councilman Daniel Wagner

Present were:

Councilman Daniel Wagner

Councilwoman Eckel

Councilman Jerry Staczek

Deputy Fire Chief Ryan Stautzenbach

Police Chief Glenn Goss.

Police

Councilman Wagner initiated the topic of Rossford Police Officers carrying Narcan. Councilman Wagner discussed the success of Toledo Police Narcan program having over 156 lives saved in the six months since that program was initiated. Councilman Wagner addressed the concerns brought up at the last Public Safety Committee meeting. The data from the Toledo program alleviated the concerns of the committee. The committee unanimously agreed that Rossford Officers should carry Narcan. Chief Goss will contact Wood County Health Department on receiving Narcan at no charge from them. Chief Goss will develop a policy addressing the use of Narcan by officers and arrange to have the officers trained on its use prior to implementation.

Chief Goss addressed the manpower concerns with current and impending retirements. Chief Goss would like to bring new officers on four months prior to an officer retiring so that the officer is fully trained and able to go out on his own when an officer retires. It would alleviate overtime for that shift when the new officer would typically be training with another officer for a four month period. Committee agreed. Chief Goss addressed the committee on establishing a Deputy Chief's position. Chief Goss wanted that position to assume all the administrative duties from the street sergeants to free them up for calls for service. Committee felt funding was not available and did not act on the Chief's request.

Councilwoman Eckel asked why the new speed limit signs and stop sign removals have not taken place from recommendations at the last Public Safety committee meeting. Chief stated Mike Scott has to write an official correspondence to Tyler Kolb in order to do so. That correspondence should be out shortly.

Committee addressed Toledo Blade bags being thrown into driveways again. Chief Goss stated he would contact Blade administration to reiterate the City's ordinance.

Councilwoman Eckel asked the Chief why officers were hesitant on calling streets in on overnight snowfalls. Chief stated he addressed the issue with his overnight personnel already.

Councilwoman Eckel asked the chief to get Traffic Signal Control box keys for officers so that officers don't have to call out Streets in order to reset them when they malfunction overnight.

Meeting adjourned 1000

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Daniel Wagner', written over a horizontal line.

Councilman Daniel Wagner