

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 5, 2018
TO: Mike Geisel, City Administrator
FROM: Chief Ray Johnson
SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Public Health and Safety (PH&S) Committee met on Monday, June 4, 2018. Those in attendance included Chairperson Ben Keathley Councilmember - Ward II, Councilmember Barry Flachsbart, Ward I, Councilmember Michael Moore, Ward III, Councilmember Tom DeCampi, Ward IV, Mayor Bob Nation, Councilmember Barbara McGuinness, Ward I, Chief Ray Johnson, Captain Cheryl Funkhouser and Captain Michael Thompson.

The meeting was called to order at 4:37 PM by Chairperson Ben Keathley.

I. Approval of Minutes – March 5, 2018

Councilman Flachsbart motioned and Councilmember DeCampi seconded to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2018 meeting. The motion carried 4-0.

II. Selection of Vice-Chairperson & Liaison to the Police Personnel Board

Councilmember Keathley motioned and Councilmember Flachsbart seconded to appoint Councilmember DeCampi Vice-Chairperson of the Public Health & Safety Committee. The motion carried 4-0.

Councilmember DeCampi motioned and Councilmember Flachsbart seconded to appoint Councilmember Keathley as Liaison to the Police Personnel Board. The motion carried 4-0.

The Committee members discussed an appointment of a liaison to CAPY. Councilmember McGuinness reminded Committee Members that recent changes to committee structures have eliminated the position of liaison to CAPY and the Police Department now has oversight of that group.

III. Proposed Ordinance/Contract – Next Generation 9-1-1 System

Chief Johnson provided a draft ordinance and contract regarding the Police Department's continued participation and access to the "Next Generation 9-1-1" system. This new system will provide enhanced 9-1-1 calls allowing the pin-pointing of addresses (latitude and longitude) of 9-1-1 calls from cell phones as well as providing for the transmission of video, text messaging, and enhanced location routing of calls. There are no new additional costs to the City. The ordinance and the accompanying contract are necessary to bring the Police Department into compliance with ECC requirements.

Flachsbart motioned and Moore seconded to recommend to City Council for approval. The motion carried 4-0.

IV. Deer Distance Sampling Population Survey Report

The Committee reviewed information provided in a summary report from White Buffalo to plan for any future action to control the deer population in the City of Chesterfield. Topographical maps were reviewed noting areas where the deer population is the greatest within the City. The members also discussed the fact the Police Department has started gathering information on dead deer (previously unreported) on the City roadways. Members agreed that the addition of this information may provide a better understanding of the deer population as it relates to vehicle accidents.

The Committee noted that the recent article in the Chesterfield Citizen had resulted in numerous calls from citizens interested in participate in the bow hunting program.

The Committee directed staff to continue to monitor the situation and to report to the Committee an optimal time for another deer count by White Buffalo. Committee members also directed Chief Johnson to get the cost of additional services by White Buffalo.

V. Vaping Devices – Sales To Minors

Councilmember Flachsbart asked the Committee consider restrictions to use of vaping products similar to those restrictions on the use of tobacco products. Currently, no one under the age of 21 is allowed to purchase tobacco. Councilmember Flachsbart motioned and Councilmember Moore seconded to amend the City's current ordinance regarding the sale and use of tobacco products to include vaping products.

Discussion followed and the definition of vaping products was clarified: An electronic cigarette or e-cigarette is a handheld electronic device that simulates the feeling of tobacco smoking. It works by heating a liquid to generate an aerosol, commonly called a "vapor", which the user inhales. Using e-cigarettes is commonly referred to as vaping. The liquid in the e-cigarette is usually made of nicotine and flavorings. Not all e-liquids contain nicotine.

After discussion the motion failed with Councilmembers Flachsbart and Councilmember Moore voting "yes", and Councilmember DeCampi and Councilmember Keathley voting "no".

IV. Adjournment

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:08 PM.