

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**November 10, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Reams at 7:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Mark Reams, Tracy Richardson, Dan Fogt

**Others Present:** Ryan Horns with Journal Tribune, Terry Emery, Tim Aslaner, Chief Riley, Chief Golden

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes for the meeting on October 6, 2014 were approved with a minor correction.

### **Agenda:**

**Update on Blocking of Public Sidewalks in Private Driveways:** Mr. Emery said information was included in the community information section of the October utility bills. On October 9<sup>th</sup>, another press was sent out to all local media outlets, the press release included a number to report blocking on public sidewalks. The information was also posted on the City's website and facebook page. The following HOA have agreed to share the information with homeowners via emails and newsletters: The Links, Green Pastures, Real Property Maintenance (Scott Farms), Omni Community Association (Woods at Mill Valley, North Woods and Adena Pointe). Borrer Properties Management which is the HOA for Mill Valley North has not responded. Mrs. Richardson said thank you for getting out there.

**Update Snow Removal from Public Sidewalks:** Mr. Emery reported The "Keep Sidewalks Clear of Snow and Ice" flyer was delivered to Edgewood, Mill Valley, Navin, Northwood, Raymond and Creekview schools on Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. The flyer will be sent home with all K-6<sup>th</sup> grade students and will be emailed to 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students/parents this month. An informational insert will be included with the November utility bills (approximately 8,600 that will go out in the utility bills). A press release/flyer was sent out last week to all local media outlets. The information has also been posted on the City's website and Facebook page. Again, we will also have frequent postings on the City's Facebook page prior to potential snow fall predictions with accumulations of 2 or more inches as well as information regarding snow removal on the TV monitors around our facilities.

Boy Scouts Committee Chairman, John Pauk provided us with a list of seven boy scouts/eagle scouts and five leaders that have volunteered to assist elderly/disabled residents remove snow this winter. Derek Hutchinson has the list and will reach out to the volunteers, if and as needed. Mr. Emery thanked Mr. Horns for the Journal Tribune running the flyer as well. We are going with the 24-48 hour steps after snowfall.

Mr. Reams suggested that when a resident calls to have water and sewer turned off during the winter because they are going to Florida, can we inform them at that time of their responsibility to still have sidewalks cleared. Mr. Horns said we will tell them at the newspaper as well. Mr. Emery said that was a great suggestion.

**Update Process of Reporting Street Light Outages:** Information was included in the Community Information section of the October utility bills. It was also posted on the City's website and Facebook page on October 10<sup>th</sup>. We have been getting quite a few reports for streetlight outages recently. We are getting information from residents (calling in and using the [publicservice@marysvilleohio.org](mailto:publicservice@marysvilleohio.org) email), Police Department and other City employees are reporting. In the past two weeks (10/27-11/7), we have submitted 66 requests for streetlight repairs. Ten (10) of the 66 streetlights reported in the past two weeks were from Police Department. Seems to be working great! Total streetlight repair reports submitted in the last few months: 58- Sept, 38- Aug, 28- July, 14- June, 31-May.

Mr. Reams said if you report a light and it is not fixed in a week call back.

Mrs. Richardson asked where this information shows up on the City's website regarding the lights? Mr. Emery said [publicservice.marysvilleohio.org](http://publicservice.marysvilleohio.org). Mr. Reams and Mrs. Richardson both agreed that they had issues finding where to locating where to report street lights out. Mr. Emery said we will put it on the front page of the website for a while. Mrs. Richardson said if we get snowfall we could put that on the front page of the website as well.

Mrs. Richardson said she had a resident in Mill Valley that was concerned with cleaning up the neighborhood, cars blocking the sidewalks, and snow removal from sidewalks. She made her own flyer. Mrs. Richardson said this is something that we might want to put on the agenda to discuss. Mr. Emery said that might be something Mrs. Richardson submits to the Homeowners Association. Mrs. Richardson wanted to make sure the Committee knew how important to the residents what we are doing in regards to snow removal and blocking the sidewalk.

Mr. Reams asked what the schools said when we talked to them about keeping the snow clear from the sidewalks. Mr. Emery said that they were good, but they are not going to clear the sidewalks with homes beside the schools. Mr. Reams asked about the sidewalk in front of the fairgrounds. Mr. Emery said he will follow up on that.

**Comments of Citizens:** None

**Adjournment:** Mr. Reams adjourned the meeting at 7:22pm.