

SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES
JULY 19, 2016

The Safety Committee meeting was held on July 19, 2016, at North Royalton City Hall, 14600 State Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m.

PRESENT: Committee Members: Chair Gary Petrusky, Vice Chair Dan Langshaw; **Council:** Larry Antoskiewicz, John Nickell, Paul Marnecheck, Dan Kasaris; **Administration:** Mayor Robert Stefanik, Law Director Thomas Kelly, Police Chief John Elek, Fire Chief Robert Chegan, Safety Director Bruce Campbell; **Other:** Louis Krzepina, Megan Scharrer, John Amato, Cameron Furbeck, Rachel Dietz, Liz Kelly, Emily Krejci.

Moved by Mr. Langshaw, seconded by Mr. Petrusky **to excuse Mr. Muller.** Roll Call: Yeas: 2. Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Langshaw, seconded by Mr. Petrusky **to approve the June 21, 2016 Safety Committee minutes.** Yeas: 2. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Oil and Gas Appeal Update

Mr. Kelly said that there is no update. He said that we won the appeal and have not heard anything additional. He said that as far as they are concerned, the matter is concluded. Mr. Antoskiewicz asked if there is any time left for the other side to appeal. Mr. Kelly said no, the appeal time has passed and they did not choose to take it to the Supreme Court. **Remove from agenda.**

NEW BUSINESS

1. Update on deer hunting program.

Mr. Kelly said that the meeting held for the community on this topic yesterday went very well. He said there were about 120 people in attendance, most of which he believed to be hunters. Some were residents and there was a handful of the anti-hunting faction. He said that Chief Elek put on a very nice Power Point presentation. We took a myriad of questions from the audience. He said that the mood was lighthearted for the most part. He said there was a little push back from the hunters on the \$150.00 fee, and we also had a homeowner who said he would pay the fee just to have someone hunt on his property in order to preserve the thousands of dollars that he spends on landscaping. He said that the Police Chief is already receiving calls from residents requesting to have their property inspected to see if they qualify for the program. Mr. Kasaris asked when a home is inspected will there be a report made as to what was done during the inspection so that in the event there is an issue we would have documentation showing what was done. Chief Elek said that the only thing that will be documented is if they require additional steps to be taken by the property owner or the hunter to ensure that they are hunting safely. Mr. Kasaris asked if there will be record of which officer went out. Chief Elek said that he is only having two officers respond both of which are deer hunters; Officer McDonald and Officer Tressel. Mr. Kasaris asked when we will begin to accept applications. Chief Elek said that we will begin tomorrow. Mr. Nickell said that the Chief made a good point at the meeting in that every property is different and will be handled as such. There may be areas that will require more signs to be posted than in other areas. Chief Elek said that they will take whatever additional steps are needed in order to ensure that it is safe for the residents and the hunters. Mr. Kasaris said that he understands that there will be differences between hunting on Cady Road and hunting in Royal Valley. He asked what types of signage will be placed. Chief Elek said that they would like them to post signs that state deer hunting is in progress, but he said that the Homeowner Associations have also said that they will come up with their own additional plans to alert residents that hunting is in progress such as red flags near the tree stands.

Mr. Campbell reported that the Police Department has done their annual street light patrol of the entire city and this report will be turned in to First Energy so that any lights that are out will be repaired.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Langshaw, seconded by Mr. Petrusky **to adjourn the July 19, 2016 meeting.** Yeas: 2. Nays: 0.
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.