

**SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES
JANUARY 21, 2014**

The Safety Committee meeting was held on January 21, 2014, at North Royalton City Hall, 13834 Ridge Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Committee Members: Chair Dan Langshaw, Vice Chair Steve Muller, Gary Petrusky; Council: Larry Antoskiewicz; Dan Kasaris, Paul Marnecheck, John Nickell, Diane Veverka Recording Secretary; Administration: Mayor Robert Stefanik, Safety Director Bruce Campbell, Fire Chief Robert Chegan, Police Chief John Elek, Assistant Law Director Donna Vozar; Other: Jacci Fiser, Amanda Tarase, Bill Schempp.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Petrusky, seconded by Mr. Muller to **approve the October 1, 2013 minutes.** Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS

1. Proposed Ordinance 14-14 – An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the City of Strongsville, Ohio, for public safety dispatch services, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Langshaw said we have on our agenda this evening the ordinance asking for Council to give the Mayor the authority to contract out our dispatch services to Strongsville.

Mr. Langshaw stated that he received a memo from the Law Director wherein he explains that there is an ongoing statutory obligation to bargain with the OPBA unit representing the dispatchers and that in fact they are engaged in such negotiation. He asks that we as Council refrain from discussing these matters until such time as they are completed. Mr. Langshaw went on to say the committee will at this time take any comments from the public. He added that unless there is some objection we will withhold our own commentary until the collective bargaining is done as we do not wish to disturb the ongoing negotiations.

Ms. Vozar said they met with the dispatchers today. They were provided with a copy of the contract. We did attempt to meet with them on Friday but the representative was unavailable. They were also at that time provided with job applications.

Jacci Fiser expressed her concerns of the prospect of losing her job. She said they welcome any consideration for the time and dedication they have given to the city.

Miscellaneous

Mr. Petrusky asked the Police Chief for an update regarding a deer incident in Ward 2. Police Chief Elek said the Animal Warden was sent out to investigate the complaint.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Campbell said eight street lights were installed on the poles on Wallings Road by the library and Heasley soccer field.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Petrusky, seconded by Mr. Muller to **adjourn the meeting.** Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 6:09 p.m.