

SUMMARY OF MINUTES

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

6:13 p.m., Monday, October 10, 2016

COMMITTEE ROOM

Room 239, City Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: Council Member James Taylor, Jr., Chair
Council Member Vivian H. Burke, Vice Chair
Council Member Jeff MacIntosh

MEMBERS ABSENT: Council Member Molly Leight

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order and stated that without objection, the Committee would first consider the Consent Agenda and asked if any items needed to be removed for discussion. No items were removed.

Council Member MacIntosh made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Burke and carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

- C-1. ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 42-122(F) OF THE CITY CODE RELATING TO 25 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMITS (SOUTHEAST WARD) – *Hickory Creek Road and Hickory Creek Court.*
- C-2. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF MINUTES – *September 12, 2016.*

GENERAL AGENDA

- G-1. RECOGNITION OF THE WINSTON-SALEM FIREFIGHTER COMBAT CHALLENGE AND RESCUE TEAM.

Mr. Trey Mayo, Fire Chief, presented this item and recognized Dwayne Cheek, John Pennington, Bill Antonio, Brad Duncan and Ricky Brown as the Firefighter Challenge Team. He also recognized and acknowledged the younger members of the Firefighter Combat Challenge and Rescue Team. Travis Franklin, Chris Keesler, Captain Marcus Drone, Captain James Brinkley, and Justin Groves were recognized as members of the Rescue Team.

- G-2. WINSTON-SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENTS GANG UNIT AND GANG STEERING COMMITTEE'S ACTIVITIES

Mr. Barry Rountree, Police Chief, gave a brief introduction on this item.

Sergeant Scott Doss, Gang Unit Supervisor, Police Department, gave a brief report and presented follow-up information on this item.

In response to Council Member MacIntosh, Sgt. Doss stated gang membership is decreasing.

Mrs. Jemi Moore, Gang Steering Committee, 450 Huntinggreen Lane, Apt. A, gave a presentation on this item.

In response to Council Member Burke, Mrs. Moore stated there are several ways in which parents are involved. Positive Youth Engagement Activities is where the parents have to come in and go through an orientation and provide an assessment. Functional Family Therapy is provided in the homes.

In response to Council Member Burke, Sgt. Doss stated the Gang Unit communicates with the Gang Steering committee as soon as it discovers individuals that want out of the gangs.

G-3. RESTRICTION OF ANIMAL ACTS IN CIRCUSES WITHIN THE CITY. *[Item continued from the August and September meetings of the Public Safety Committee.]*

Mr. Gregory Turner, Assistant City Manager, gave the staff report on this item.

Ms. Collene Smith, 209 Gillian Lane, Holly Springs, presented and spoke of her support on behalf of this item.

Ms. Martha Cecil, 2026 Creekwood Drive, Greensboro, spoke in support of the City's consideration of this item.

Council Member MacIntosh suggested, if someone wanted to bring wild animals into Winston-Salem, they should have to be a part of an organization or group that demonstrates positive standards for these acts. He asked staff to research the types of groups involved in this process.

Chair Taylor asked the City Attorney to research and see if this option by would be acceptable to the Dixie Classic Fair.

Chair Taylor made a recommendation to continue to hold this item in Committee and bring it back to discuss in December.

Council Member Burke requested documentation be collected via polls on citizen positions on this item.

Chair Taylor suggest staff document polls and options via the City's social media outlets.

ADJOURNMENT 6:59 p.m.