

**City of Washington
Public Safety Committee Meeting
September 12, 2022**

APPROVED
9-19-22
MDM

Chairperson Brett Adams called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Voting Members Present

Chairperson Brett Adams, Alderperson Todd Yoder and Alderperson Kevin Schone

Other Officials Present

Mayor Gary Manier, City Administrator Jim Snider, , Attorney Derek Schryer, Chief Mike McCoy, Alderperson Lili Stevens and Administrative Assistant Linda Storer

Citizens Present

Mr. & Mrs. Amdall (John & Sharon)

1. Non-Member Alderperson(s) wishing to be heard on a non-agenda item
Alderperson Stevens extended a thank you to the police department for all that they do.

2. Citizens wishing to be heard on a non-agenda item
Michael A Hoehne and Grant Jones from ME Gaming asked if this was the right venue to request licensing for gaming at Mariachi's. Owner of Mariachi's, Jose (Pepe) Delgado was also in attendance.

ME Gaming put the machines in the business and turned them on but with no license had to shut them off.

Requesting an increase of the licenses in Washington.

Committee recommended taking it the Committee of the Whole in Alderman comments section tonight. This would allow the discussion of the number of licenses.

3. Approval of Minutes – July 11, 2022
Chairperson Adams asked for motion to approve – Alderperson Yoder motioned and Alderperson Schone 2nd.

4. Business Items

Siren Update

The 1st Tuesday of the month the PD checks various siren locations for operability. This month we had 2 that did not function properly. They were fixed the next day. (1-Cummings & other in Sunnyland).

Traffic Trailer Discussion

The police department has (2) trailers and they are placed in various areas. Office Michael Brown is in charge of their placement and care.

8/9-8/22 N Main Street – Speed limit is 30 mph, 34 mph was the average. The highest was 70mph. 85% of the 31,107 vehicles were clocked at 40mph.

8/8-8/21 Lincoln Street – 29,061 vehicles, speed limit is 20mph, 85% of vehicles were clocked at 24mph. 41mph was the highest.

Chairperson Adams asked for Kingsbury & Cummings as a future location. PD will make a note of this request.

Police Department Update

- Officer Steve Fletcher from CCPD was sworn in. He is experienced and well balanced. We also have a new part time officer, Randy Schweigert retired from Peoria PD.
- The police department met with Coach Schmerhorn regarding the Tournament of Champions event. It was decided that we would increase the police presence at the tournament as a way to deter any potential issues.
- Chief met with John Roy from Tokio Marine Insurance as did all department heads to go over risk policy. They were particularly interested in our policies for pursuits and for use of force. All information was provided.
- Active Shooter Training has been conducted at WCHS and St. Pats. 3 officers will be at Washington Middle, Lincoln and City Hall in the coming weeks.
- A couple of purses were taken from vehicles at the Dog Park recently. Please LOCK YOUR CARS!
- Burglary to vehicles – 2 people have been arrested.
- Hail damage from storm damaged many squad cars. Working with adjusters to get this damage repaired.
- MEG officers were instrumental in the seizure of 200 cannabis plants from a grow near Washington. Arrest was made.

Fire Department Update

No information provided by fire department.

5. Other Business

Aldersperson approached by a citizen who expressed concern over roofing companies leaving nails in the street.

Will have zoning remind all the companies of this while doing roof repairs in the neighborhoods.

6. Adjournment

Chairperson Adams motioned for adjournment – Aldersperson Yoder made the motion and 2nd by Aldersperson Schone.

Meeting adjourned at 6:17pm.