

CIRCLEVILLE SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES 12/10/2024

Circleville Safety Committee convened in City Council Chambers, 127 South Court St, Circleville, OH. on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. Members present: Chair Jeff Hallinin, Committee Members Tom Klitzka, Katie Hedges, and Clerk Melissa Burns. Other Council Members present: President Barry Keller and John Moats. Invited Guest Present: Mayor Michelle Blanton, Law Director Kendra Kinney, and Chief of Police Kenny Fisher.

Hallinin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Klitzka motioned to approve the minutes from October 1, 2024. Seconded by Hedges. Motion carried.

New Business

a) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 135.01, 135.03, 135.04, 135.11, 135.13(a) AND 135.13(g), ESTABLISHING SECTION 135.15 AND REPEALING SECTION 135.07 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CIRCLEVILLE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

DISCUSSION: Hallinin stated this Ordinance is aligned with the recommendations from Police Consultant Paul Pride. Chief Fisher stated the restructuring will provide a competitive nature to the composition. Hedges added this will help provide the needed checks and balances within the Police Department. Chief Fisher stated by having two Captains he will be able to split duties between administrative and operational roles. After three years the roles will switch and cross training each Captain will begin. Kinney stated the Ordinance also cleanups up and corrects some of the Codified Ordinances while also addressing the structure issues.

MOTION-VOTE-ROLL CALL:

Hedges motioned to forward the Ordinance to the next Council meeting on December 17, 2024, with a recommendation for passage. Klitzka seconded. Roll call (3 Yeas- 0 Nays). Motion carried.

Old Business:

Mayor Blanton stated she will be meeting with Chief Fisher and the Safety Director by the end of the year to develop a step-by-step plan to present to Council.

Fire Chief Thompson stated that the new Ladder Fire Truck was delivered earlier today.

Hedges motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 p.m. Seconded by Klitzka. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by: Melissa Burns, Clerk.