

Committee Members:

Josh Frawley
Anthony LeFlore
Brenda Wagner
Pat Peck
Bill Poletti

**AGENDA
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, January 17, 2023, 6:40 p.m.
Council Chambers
Fairview Heights City Hall
10025 Bunkum Road**

or

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Roll Call

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Approval of Minutes – December 14, 2022

***Law Enforcement
Alderman Josh Frawley***

1. Statement of the Department

***Public Works
Alderman Bill Poletti***

1. Director's Report

THE CITY OF FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MINUTES
Wednesday, December 14, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
Fairview Heights City Hall
Fairview Heights, Illinois

Committee Members in attendance – Aldermen Josh Frawley, Anthony LeFlore, Brenda Wagner, Pat Peck, Bill Poletti, Mayor Mark Kupsy, Ex-officio

Committee Members absent – None

Other Aldermen and Elected Officials in attendance – City Clerk Karen Kaufhold – video/teleconference, Aldermen Frank Menn, Ryan Vickers (arrived at 7:04), Barb Brumfield – video/teleconference, Harry Zimmerman, Denise Williams

Staff in attendance – City Attorney Andrew Hoerner, Finance Director Gina Rader, Parks and Recreation Director Angie Beaston, Police Chief Steven Johnson, Police Captain CJ Beyersdorfer, Public Works Director John Harty, IT Manager Chris Elliott

Recorder – Jill Huffman

Public Participation

None

Approval of Minutes, November 9, 2022

Motion and second to approve minutes were made by Aldermen Peck/Wagner. Roll call vote: Aldermen Frawley – yes, LeFlore – yes, Wagner - yes, Peck - yes, Poletti – yes. Motion carried.

Law Enforcement Committee

Alderman Josh Frawley, Chairman

REPLACEMENT OF OUTDOOR WARNING SIRENS

Alderman Frawley reported that approximately a decade ago, the warning sirens were replaced in the City which was very costly. St. Clair County has received a grant to replace sirens throughout the county including the Fairview Heights' sirens. Currently, the City has four sirens, which would be replaced, and the County would add a fifth siren, at no cost, on the west side of the City.

Captain Beyersdorfer presented a map illustrating the current locations of the City's sirens. The new siren would be located near Winstanley Baptist Church. A minimum of 60 decibels are required from FEMA. The new sirens would be in the 70-80 decibel range.

The Mayor relayed that he supports this important emergency siren upgrade system in the City.

Captain Beyersdorfer stated that on the western edge of the City, near Cracker Barrel, the sirens can be heard, but not as loud due to the topography of the land. The Village of Caseyville will be receiving a siren at Cracker Barrel and Belleville will be receiving one to be located at the top of the hill on Illinois Route 161. Fairview Heights will reap the benefits from the location of those two towers.

Alderman Peck questioned the distance a siren could be heard to which Captain Beyersdorfer replied this is dependent on weather conditions and topography.

Alderman Wagner questioned the cost of the upgrade and installation. Captain Beyersdorfer stated that to replace the four sirens and add a fifth siren including a three-year warranty for maintenance and parts will be at no cost to the City. After three years, the City will be responsible for the cost of parts and labor and the County will be responsible for maintenance and scheduling of repairs. Captain Beyersdorfer stated that in the past, the estimated cost was \$4200 to \$7100 per year for repairs to the current system.

The County will receive a feed from the National Weather Service and activate the sirens county wide.

The Mayor added that if the City desires to activate the sirens within the City, there is a cost of less than \$10,000 to do so. Captain Beyersdorfer stated this would be a one-time cost approximately \$6,000 to \$8,000. If the City feels the need to activate the Fairview Heights' sirens, the City would contact CENCOM (St. Clair County Communication Center). The Mayor stated he thought this would be a benefit for the City to obtain some control over the sirens in the City. Captain Beyersdorfer stated that the initial alert is automatic eliminating the possibility of human error. This option could be added.

Motion and second to forward to City Council with recommendation of approval for the Mayor to enter into an agreement with St. Clair County and approve the Department to participate in the St. Clair County Mass Notification Project by Aldermen Wagner/Poletti. Roll call vote showed Aldermen Frawley – yes, LeFlore – yes, Wagner – yes, Peck – yes, Poletti – yes. Motion carried.

STATEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT

The Chief of Police presented his written report to the elected officials for their review.

Chief Johnson commended the staff and professionalism of the officers on their performance. He stated that there has been an increase of advertising on social media regarding the great job of the City's officers of which 34,000 people have viewed.

The Chief noted the professionalism regarding the response to two suicide situations which were resolved without violence or death. Alderman Wagner added that, not only did the officers do an outstanding job in both situations, but the City received a complimentary social media post afterward.

Public Works Committee

Alderman Bill Poletti, Chairman

RESOLUTION FOR IMPROVEMENT UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE MARKET PLACE ROUNDABOUT

The Director of Public Works stated this Resolution is a request submitted to the State to utilize Motor Fuel Tax funds. This request of \$120,000 is for expenses incurred for the Market Place Roundabout for construction engineering as well as the final construction costs. If all of the requested \$120,000 is not utilized, the funds will be returned to the City's MFT unobligated balance. The current unobligated balance is \$4.4 million. This will be presented in the budget adjustments discussed at the Administration Committee Meeting.

Alderman Poletti relayed that this does not impact the City's General Fund, only the Motor Fuel Tax Fund.

Motion and second to forward to City Council with recommendation of approval the Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code for the Market Place roundabout construction and construction engineering in the amount of \$120,000 by Aldermen Peck/LeFlore. Roll call vote showed Aldermen Frawley – yes, LeFlore – yes, Wagner – yes, Peck – yes, Poletti – yes. Motion carried.

MS-4 MUNICIPAL STORM SEWER SYSTEM REPORT

Director Harty presented information as required for the MS-4 storm water permit for the City. The participants in the organization are St. Clair County and 19 municipalities/townships. The co-committee group was formed in 2003 as mandated by the US Environmental Protection Agency by the Clean Water Act which requires the City to follow regulations known as the six interim control measures: Public Education and Outreach, Public Participation/Involvement, Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination, Construction Site Runoff Control, Post-construction Runoff Control, and Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping.

A quarterly meeting is held to discuss ideas and management practices at which the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) attends and offers guidance.

Director Harty stated that every five years the City submits a Notice of Intent to the IEPA to address the six interim control measures and annually submits a report to the IEPA explaining the City's progress on those measures. These reports are available to the public on the St. Clair County's and the City's websites. Gonzalez Engineering prepares the City's annual report, and performs the City's water quality testing. Because Gonzalez prepares this information for municipalities, it reduces the overall cost for the preparation of report submissions and testing to approximately \$3,500 annually for the City.

Alderman Wagner questioned if schools could be involved with this program and that a representative could give a presentation to the schools to which the Director replied absolutely as this has been done in the past. Alderman Wagner suggested this should be presented to the schools annually.

Discussed the Trekking for Trash program. The weight and amount of trash collected is recorded and questioned if this would be helpful to the MS4 program to which Director Harty replied definitely and well-worth noting.

Alderman Zimmerman questioned if this program involved any funding for projects to which the Director replied no. This is a program designed for compliance of the Clean Water Act. Alderman Zimmerman mentioned the cleaning of Ogles Creek to which Director Harty will investigate. Alderman Wagner relayed that perhaps there is a potential grant and the participate in the MS-4 program could aid in achieving a grant.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT/PROJECT UPDATES

The Director of Public Works presented his written report to the elected officials for their review.

Alderman Peck complimented the completion of the work that was performed at US 50 and Old Collinsville Road.

Alderman Wagner complimented the completion of the roundabout and that it is easy to navigate. The Director stated that striping is yet to be completed which is weather dependent.

Alderman Vickers requested a timeline for Laurel, Helen Court, South Point and Susan Court for mill overlay. Two years ago, Caseyville Township Sewer upgraded the sewers in the area. The Director stated the overlay potentially could be accomplished in late spring/early summer.

As soon as the weather is appropriate, the Mark Drive project will commence.

Director Harty mentioned that a preconstruction conference for the waterline replacement on Union Hill Road was held in O'Fallon, and the project will begin the first week of January, weather permitting. O'Fallon will distribute information to property owners. The parking lane on the west side of Union Hill Road will be closed. The tie-in point is at the wedge of the Blue Star memorial/Fairview Heights Animal Hospital to Meckfessel going east, crosses Union Hill Road and continues south on Union Hill Road.

Alderman Poletti requested an update on fiber cable placement. The Director stated he has not heard from Clearwave, but he has been in contact with i3 who has hit several gas mains resulting in the dispatch of the fire department.

Adjournment 7:43 p.m.

Submitted By:

Recorder



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 6th, 2023
TO: ELECTED OFFICIALS
FROM: CHIEF STEVE JOHNSON
SUBJECT: POLICE DEPARTMENT – MONTHLY REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2022

AGENDA ITEMS:

STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT

- Lt. Jim Krummrich retired with 38 years of service to the city (28 as a police officer). We wish him the best and thank him for his service.
- The Police Board is conducting new police officer testing on January 14th.
- We are conducting a background on a potential lateral applicant (lives in Fairview Heights).
- FOP and command staff delivered presents and donated money to Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in St. Louis.
- FOP and command staff did their Shop with a Cop event at Dick's. We had a great turn out and ten children were very happy!
- Hosted over 40 chiefs of police and administrators for a state's attorney presentation on the SAFE-T Act.
- Administered my final meeting as President of the Southern Illinois Police Chiefs Association with over 60 chiefs attending.
- Transferring Detective Jon Friederich to the Department Training Officer position in preparation for Ofc. Tim Mueller being promoted to Sergeant. Sgt. James Mason will be promoted to Lieutenant.
- Conducted several command staff, sergeant and civilian employee meetings to promote the vision the department is moving towards.
- Increased our social media footprint, selling the great job officers are doing. One post had over 150,000 people reached.

CRIME: The provided snapshot of activity is based upon computer-aided dispatch data. As such, the statistics provided are not official. They are only intended to provide a general sense of crime in the community.

ITEM YEAR TO DATE	DECEMBER 2022	DECEMBER 2021	DIFFERENCE YTD	NOVEMBER 2022	DIFFERENCE MTM
CAD Calls	2460	2330	130	2235	225
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Theft	39	40	-1	35	4
Vehicle Burglary	1	3	-2	1	0
Stolen Vehicle	3	1	2	5	-2

Robbery	1	2	-1	0	1
Aggravated Assault/Battery	9	11	-2	9	0
Domestic Battery	13	9	4	8	5
Cannabis Arrest	3	3	0	6	-3
DUI Arrest	10	10	0	6	4
Fugitive Arrest	33	26	7	29	4
Weapon Arrest	6	6	0	5	1
Drug Paraphernalia	2	1	1	3	-1
Controlled Substance	9	5	4	5	4
Use of Force	4	5	-1	4	0
Traffic Stops	385	341	44	442	-57

Below is a snapshot of crime and police activity for all of 2022:

CRIME STATS - MONTHLY ANALYSIS

YEAR MONTH	2022			2021			CHANGE	
	YTD	THRU	12/31/2022	TOTAL	BUSINESS	RESIDENT	TOTAL	TOTAL %
	TOTAL	BUSINESS	RESIDENT	TOTAL	BUSINESS	RESIDENT	TOTAL	TOTAL %
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	28423			25026			3397	13.57%
TOTAL CRIME CALLS	2299			2243			56	2.50%
THEFT	449	385	64	425	367	58	24	5.65%
BURGLARY FROM AUTO	45	17	28	86	33	53	-41	-47.67%
BURGLARY	41	26	15	24	12	12	17	70.83%
STOLEN VEHICLE	43	22	21	37	17	20	6	16.22%
ROBBERY	6	3	3	7	7	0	-1	-14.29%
BATTERY (NOT DOMESTIC)	70	51	19	80	47	33	-10	-12.50%
BATTERY (DOMESTIC)	109	31	78	137	32	105	-28	-20.44%
IDENTITY THEFT	28	9	19	36	8	28	-8	-22.22%

SELF-INITIATED MONTHLY ANALYSIS

YEAR	2022		2021		CHANGE	
	YTD					
	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	DIFFERENCE	DIFF % CHANGE	
TOTAL SELF-INITIATED ACTIVITY	9186	7247	1939	27%		
FUGITIVE	355	218	137	63%		
CANNABIS	56	35	21	60%		
DUI	102	86	16	19%		
WEAPONS	51	31	20	65%		
DRUG PARA	42	26	16	62%		
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE	106	61	45	74%		

Memo

To: Elected Officials
From: John Harty-Director of Public Works
CC: Directors
Date: January 12, 2022
Re: Director's Report



Director's Report/Project Updates (Agenda Item 1)

- **Market Place Roundabout** – There has been little change in the status of this project since the ribbon cutting other than all of the signs have now been installed. At this time, the Department is recommending leaving the devices that currently exist at the roundabout in place in lieu of temporary pavement marking as the circle appears to be functioning well. On or around the 15th of April, the thermoplastic pavement marking will be installed essentially completing the project.

Next week the Department will be meeting with IDOT to discuss close out and performance issues associated with this contract.

- **Union Hill Watermain Replacement** – The City of O'Fallon Water Department has contracted with Haier Plumbing to replace the watermain in the vicinity of Union Hill Road and Meckfessel Drive in the South Bountiful neighborhood. The contractor started work on Tuesday, January 10 by potholing utilities in the Old Lincoln Trail/Lincoln Trail intersection. The vast majority of the watermain installation will be performed using directional boring which is favorable as there is minimal disruption than that using the open trench method.

It is estimated that sometime in the week of January 16, there could be a need to close the Union Hill parking lane that exists from Meckfessel Drive to Liberty Road. This will expedite construction efforts along Union Hill and allow for a more efficient flow of traffic. The Department will give the residents notice of the closure.

➤ **Projects in Design**

➤ **Longacre Drive Improvements**

Public Works and Gonzales Companies, the design engineer, will meet next week to discuss the status of this project. It is anticipated that prefinal plans will be submitted in a month or so in an effort to make the IDOT June letting. Should this project make the June letting, construction can be anticipated around late August or September.

➤ **Lincoln Highway Improvements**

Millennia Professional Services, the design engineer associated with this project, has completed all surveys and arrived at construction limits in order to submit an Environmental Survey Request to Local Roads. The survey will likely take a number of months so the Improvements to Lincoln Highway will likely take place next year.

➤ **Market Place Streetscape, Phase 3**

This phase, as mentioned in the past, pertains to the portion of Market Place that resides between the roundabout and DSW/Petco. Phase 3 design is again being performed by Oates Associates who have recently contacted the appraiser to begin the property/easement acquisition process specific to this project. It is the intent to bid and construct this portion of the Streetscape along with the Phase 2 Landscape and Lighting this year.

Phase 3 of the Streetscape is also the final phase for which the City has received federal funding. The construction costs of this phase will be offset by 75% through a Surface Transportation Program grant acquired a few years ago.

➤ **Emergency Vehicle Priority System**

Prefinal plans were submitted to Local Roads yesterday in an effort to have a bid opening on March 9, 2023. This project will significantly upgrade all twenty-seven (27) signalized intersections within the City.

➤ **Asphalt Overlay**

During the last Committee meeting, a question arose regarding the next asphalt overlay and in particular the timing of the work. My recommendation would be to overlay the following streets:

- Susan Court
- Laurel Drive
- Helen Court
- South Point Road

These streets were subjected to the construction of sewer upgrades a few years ago and are ready for overlay. The intent is to budget \$200,000 for the work and schedule it for May or June of 2023. All design work associated with the Asphalt Overlay will be handled in-house.

- **City Engineer** - On Tuesday, January 3, Public Works welcomed aboard a new City Engineer. Tom Quirk comes to the City of Fairview Heights from the City of Mascoutah where he spent almost seven years in the same position. Tom also has approximately twenty-five years of experience in consultant engineering and to say he'll be an asset to the City is truly an understatement.