

Public Safety Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

Village Hall

2417 Brewery Road
Cross Plains, WI 53528
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Tuesday, April 11, 2023

7:00 pm

- I. Call to Order Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Cameron Bjorklund
- II. Roll Call Present: Cameron Bjorklund, Tami Roll, and Kevin Engelién. Absent: Candace Montag and Randy Swingen Also present: Several members of the Micol South family, Fire Chief Justin Radtke, EMS Asst. Chief Holly Ellickson, and Police Chief Tony Ruesga.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Presentation: A plaque was presented to the family of Honorary Police Officer Micol F. South
- V. Public Comment: – No comment
- VI. Approval of Minutes from January 17, 2023, PSC Meeting:

Motion by Engelién, seconded by Roll, to approve minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.
- VII. Report of PSC Officers
 1. Chairperson

Bjorklund introduced himself and welcomed input regarding the committee and processes from other members.
 2. Members

Engelién updated the committee about Trout Days and the partnership with the Cross Plains Area Chamber of Commerce. Engelién also informed the committee about the community wide clean up day the week before Trout Days. Engelién also informed the committee of the intent to close Mill Creek Parkway on May 6th during the event and encouraged all First responders to attend.

VIII. Report of First Responders

1. Cross Plains Area EMS Chief

Asst. Chief Ellickson updated the committee about their department and their need for volunteers.

2. Cross Plains Fire Chief

Chief Radtke informed the committee that they have handled 39 calls for service so far this year. Chief Radtke also informed the committee of two people going through the Fireman I and Fireman II course as well as firemen going through the Swift Water Classes and practical assessments. Chief Radtke also updated the committee on the purchase of new radios and the replacement of the roof. Chief Radtke also stated that his department is also currently looking for volunteers.

3. Cross Plains Police Chief

Chief Ruesga reported on the number of calls for service as well as community initiatives his department will be involved with. Chief Ruesga reported that the two new officers are doing well and progressing with training. Chief Ruesga reported that two of his squad cars need to be replaced and have been detrimental to his budget.

IX. Committee Discussion

1. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Municipal Court Fine Schedule.

No action taken; item is to be placed on the May agenda.

2. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Alternate Side Parking Ordinance.

Motion by Engeliem, seconded by Roll not to adopt an Alternate Side Parking Ordinance. All ayes. Motion carried.

3. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Safe Ride Program

No action taken; it was the consensus of the committee to support the program.

IX. Future Items of Discussion

None at the Time

X. Schedule Next Meeting Date

Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at 7pm.

XI. Adjournment

Motion by Roll, seconded by Engeliem, to adjourn. All ayes.
Motion carried.

Proper notice of this meeting was given to the public and posted on the public bulletin boards in accordance with the Open Meeting Law.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Ruesga Jr.
Chief of Police