

Town of Geddes

Public Safety Committee Minutes

January 17, 2018

In Attendance: Councilors LaFex, Weber, Krawczyk

Police: Chief Gillette, Captain Fall

Fire: Tony Modafferi, Mark Zoanetti

Meeting called to order at 6:36 pm.

David Suarez spoke about the 6th Annual Paint Westvale Purple road race to be held on April 8th at 10:00 am beginning at Cherry Road School. David reviewed the map, the services needed, and a general outline of this fund raising event. The permit has been submitted, and the insurance certificate provided.

The committee reviewed the concerns of snow removal in our community, with a specific issue being addressed. Chief Gillette became apprised of the situation, and he will follow up with the home owners citing vehicle and traffic law. Furthermore, the committee will compile any complaints made to the code enforcer and/or police department to assess the need for adding a regulation to our codes.

Mark spoke about two fires they recently contained. One was in an HVAC unit on the roof of a business, and the other was in some waste materials in a different business. Both were addressed.

PESH requires an 8 hour recurring training, and the firefighters will receive this training in the following areas: blood born pathogens, communications, OSHA, workplace violence. Tony spoke to the business issues of the department as they close out the books, and prepare for an audit and tax filings. He expects this to be done by June.

Chief Gillette reported that the body cameras purchased for offices are still not being utilized. There is a last step with communication, which we directed be completed by the 2/13/18 board meeting.

The chief and captain need interpretation concerning time used for an FMLA leave. Chief Gillette is considering revamping the offices in the police station. We will discuss this further with all Board members.

Agriculture Dog Law: There was a discussion to increase the fees for dog licenses, as well as for those in violation of not purchasing one since it takes time in our courts.

The laptop purchased for our Animal Control officer is in use, which helps when she is responding to calls. Because wifi is sometimes not available on calls, the request was made to look into upgrading the Animal Control officer's cell phone plan to include access.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.