

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

February 23, 2016

Members Present: Jane Hansen, Scottie Ard and Jim Jackson

Others Present: Mike Darrow, Jim VanderWyst, Ray Rivard and Jeanne Bergman

Jane Hansen called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and roll call was taken.

Scottie Ard moved to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Jim Jackson and carried.

Scottie Ard moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting of July 13, 2015, seconded by Jim Jackson and carried.

Bedbug Complaints and Strategies

Mike Darrow explained there has been an ongoing issue with bedbug complaints in various locations around the City. Depending upon the facility type, there are different rules and regulations regarding infestations but no statutory language which specifically addresses bedbugs. Discussion followed on the consequences of infestations and possible ways to correct the problem. Scottie Ard moved to allow Nick Vivian to construct language for a nuisance ordinance in regards to bedbugs, seconded by Jim Jackson and carried.

Loyalty Day Update

The second annual Loyalty Day is scheduled for April 30th. The theme this year is "Welcome Home". Loyalty Day honors all veterans with a special emphasis this year on Vietnam Vets. Scottie is working with Crowning Achievements; an organization for the developmental disabled as an added event to promote community involvement. The parade will start at High Street at 2:00 p.m. and end at WITC. Business will be notified that streets will be closed at 1:30 p.m. Scottie announced that New Richmond will host the 2018 Wisconsin State VFW parade.

Upcoming Agenda Items and Meeting Dates

National Night Out will be added to the next agenda.

Communications and Miscellaneous

None

Scottie Ard moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jim Jackson and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Minutes by Jeanne Bergman