Police and Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes April 26, 2023

The meeting of the Police and Public Safety Committee was called to order at 7:22 p.m. by Chairman Charles Neubauer. Present in addition to Mr. Neubauer were committee members Charles Heller, Jeff Cascino, and ex-officio member Frank Deery.

Also in attendance were Lori Carnes, Mayor; Council members Keith Endy, Barry Christman and Gene Gabel; Patricia Loder, Borough Manager; and Police Chief Barry Leatherman.

Mr. Neubauer made a motion, second by Mr. Cascino, to approve the minutes of the March 29th, 2023 meeting of the committee. The motion was approved.

Police Chiefs Report

Chief Leatherman advised the committee that the Regional Police Commission approved the hiring of Matthew Miklich as a part-time police officer.

Chief Leatherman also thanked those who made a contribution to assist former Boyertown Police Officer Ted Shamp following the recent fire loss of their home.

Unfinished Business

3 Dog Garage, 704 East Fourth Street-Request for Loading Zone – Mr. Neubauer advised the committee that he, Mr. Deery and Mrs. Loder met with Steve Boyer, of 3 Dog Garage, at their location to review their request for a loading zone. Mr. Neubauer stated that the request is for a loading zone sixty feet in length east of their driveway. Mr. Boyer agreed that the loading zone hours could be limited to 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Mr. Boyer further noted that from time to time vehicle deliveries will occur outside of those hours. In that instance the delivery truck would block one of lane of traffic to unload. Following a brief discussion, the committee agreed to recommend the solicitor prepare the required ordinance for adoption at the June 5th meeting of Council.

New Business

Mayor Carnes advised that Jim Boyer, EMS Chief, Boyertown Community Ambulance will attend the June 5th meeting of Borough Council to make a presentation.

There being no further business to conduct a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. was made by Mr. Neubauer and seconded by Mr. Heller. The next meeting of the Police and Public Safety Committee will be held on Wednesday, May 31st, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Loder Borough Secretary