

**CITY OF BYRON
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2023, 6:00 PM
BYRON CITY HALL**

1. Alderman Nehring called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Alderman Jessica Nehring, Alderman Mike Gyorkos, Alderman Mittzi Fulrath, Alderman Ron Boyer

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor John Rickard, Clerk Caryn Huber, City Administrator Brian Brooks, Attorney Aaron Szeto, Police Chief Todd Murray

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA – JULY 19, 2023 – Alderman Gyorkos motioned to approve the July 19, 2023, agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Alderman Boyer. Roll call vote: Gyorkos, AYE; Fulrath, AYE; Boyer, AYE; Nehring, AYE. Motion passed: AYE, 4; NAY, 0; ABS, 0.**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT – None**
4. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – MAY 17, 2023 – Alderman Gyorkos motioned to approve the May 17, 2023 minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Alderman Boyer. Roll call vote: Fulrath, AYE; Boyer, AYE; Nehring, AYE; Gyorkos, AYE. Motion passed: AYE, 4; NAY, 0; ABS, 0.**
5. **POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET –** We are still in the first quarter of the fiscal year and there is nothing to report yet on budget. Administrator Brooks stated that the labor negotiations should have been included in the legal services line item under police. Instead, it was put in general fund. An adjustment will be made at the end of the year.
6. **POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY & UPDATE –** Chief Murray distributed the June report. There were no incidents at ByronFest. He had good support from the sheriff's office, both with on and off duty officers. Chief Murray believes that it helps not having the bars open for an hour after the festival.

National Night Out will be held August 1. The event is located on Washington St. and is held in conjunction with the Sheriff's Department and the Fire Department. The Hib Reber Car Show winners will be on display.

Chief Murray has received six applications for a new police officer. One has part time academy training and has an associate degree. He currently works part time in one of the Chicago suburbs and recently moved to Stillman with his family. Chief Murray has started a background check and has scheduled a psych test next week.

A large presence of Police and Fire were at the Fire Department and the School this morning. They are having rapid deployment training July 19 and 20.

7. **SOCIAL MEDIA** – Clerk Huber reported that we have been trying to be as informative as we can about the construction going on around town. Chief Murray added that the department is looking for crossing guards and will send information to post on Facebook.
8. **ADJOURN** – Alderman Fulrath motioned to adjourn. Motion seconded by Alderman Boyer. Roll call vote: Boyer, AYE; Nehring, AYE; Gyorkos, AYE; Fulrath, AYE. Motion passed: AYE, 4; NAY, 0; ABS, 0.

Alderman Nehring adjourned the meeting at 6:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted, *Caryn A. Huber*, City Clerk of Byron, Illinois