



MINUTES
Public Safety Subcommittee

Wednesday, September 13, 2023
1:00 PM

Scitico Room

1. Roll Call: Councilors Matt Despard, Gina Cekala and Lori Unghire; Chief Fox, Deputy Chief Kaselouskas, Captain Golden, Sgt. Meier, Town Manager Zoppo-Sassu, Public Works Director Donald Nunes, Asst. Town Manager Bielenda and UCONN intern Brendon Duckett.
2. The 6/14/2023 meeting minutes were approved on a voice vote 3-0.
3. Update Items
 - *Truck Traffic Concerns* – There was recent enforcement on Elm at Moody; conversation was had on the potential of North St being truck restricted. The EPD staff cautioned on the fact that the only enforcement on weight restrictions is the State DMV truck enforcement division, so any new ordinance language would need to be very specific to the type and weight of trucks, as well as be cognizant of the fact that trucks are necessary to commerce, which is one of the main reasons that the DOT sets limits on what municipalities may enact.
 - *Panhandling* – Donald designed a Panhandling Sign which targets those who are being targeted to donate. There were concerns over the size and whether it would be too small if shrunk, so there will be some re-working of the bottom section. The EPD staff will forward to the Town Manager which plazas have granted permission for the signs.
 - *Traffic Calming Patterns* – Chief Fox referenced the Motor Vehicle Data report he had circulated earlier in the month which shows similar – or worse – MV data in other towns. Sgt. Meier reiterated that there is no blanket solution and that arterial streets would be excluded from any type of restrictions. The members decided to review the policy that was presented and make recommendations at the next meeting.
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3. New Items
 - *Red Light Legislation* – There is nothing new since the Chief last updated the group on the recently passed legislation concerning red light traffic safety monitoring. It goes into effect on 10/1/2023. This item will continue to be discussed as to whether it is something that could or should be implemented here.
 - *Pedestrian and Bike Safety*

-Multi-Use Path – Donald Nunes reported that the Town Farm Multi-Path is being reviewed by the State for the property takings as well as a culvert issue near Broad Book. They also want RRP signalization added.

6. Next Meeting Date: Wed., Oct. 11th
4. Adjournment – at 2:00pm, on 3-0 voice vote.