

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

March 12, 2019

The Safety Committee of Chardon City Council met on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. in Conference Room A located on the second floor of the Municipal Center.

Chris Grau, Chairman of the Safety Committee presiding.

Members of Safety Committee present: Chris Grau, Andrew Blackley.

Others present: City Manager Randy Sharpe, Police Chief Scott Niehus, Clerk of Council Amy Day.

Mr. Grau called the meeting to order.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Blackley moved and Mr. Grau seconded to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2019 minutes as presented. Upon voice vote the motion passed unanimously.

**Regarding an Emergency Operations Preparedness Plan,** Mr. Grau explained that he prepared a list of goals in developing a plan for the City and a timeline for the review and adoption of the plan. He further explained that the Police Chief has a starting template for a plan and he recommended that the plan become a basis for talking points.

Mr. Grau explained that his hope for the purpose of this meeting is to review and approve a list of goals that he drafted. He added that he is hoping to have a plan completed by November.

Mr. Blackley asked about the City's current plan.

Mr. Sharpe explained that he prepared a draft emergency operations preparedness plan as an intern for the City; however, it was never adopted.

The Committee began reviewing the goals of the plan.

Mr. Blackley suggested that the protection and restoration of utilities be added as goal #2.

Mr. Blackley suggested that the Public Service Director be added to the list of those to develop the plan.

Mr. Grau stated that he has been investigating the possibility of an intern's assistance in developing the plan.

Mr. Grau stated that resident Bill Hess has volunteered to provide assistance utilizing his Ham Radio.

Mr. Sharpe stated that the City's liability for utilizing volunteers would have to be investigated.

Discussion occurred regarding including faith-based organizations to the list of those in cooperation.

Discussion occurred regarding practice drills to evaluate and review the plan.

Mr. Grau stated that he would update the goals based on the comments made at the meeting. He asked that staff provide a copy of the draft plan to Mr. Blackley.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** - none.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**The next Safety Committee meeting was set for April 9, 2019 at 7:30 AM.**

Committee members asked that Fire Chief Larry Gaspar be invited to the next meeting.

Discussion occurred regarding inviting the Public Service Director, Paul Hornyak to future meetings that involve his department.

**ADJOURN**

Mr. Grau moved and Mr. Blackley seconded to adjourn the meeting. Upon voice vote the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

Attest:

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AMY DAY  
Clerk of Council

