

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

June 11, 2019

The Safety Committee of Chardon City Council met on Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at 7:30 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, Mayor Jeffrey Smock, Secretary Becky Repasky

Mr. Grau called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Blackley moved and Mr. Grau seconded to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2019 minutes as presented. Upon voice vote the motion passed unanimously.

Regarding continued discussions concerning the City's Emergency Operations Preparedness Plan

Mr. Grau explained he and Chief Niehus met to review the City of Chardon Emergency Operations Plan and made a recommendation of what has been presented to the Committee. Mr. Grau said he and Chief Niehus will go through to address any edits for a final version to be accepted and then presented to the Law Director for August. Mr. Grau suggested the Committee not to meet in July.

The committee ranked the following areas in 'Technological Hazards' of the Hazard Vulnerability sheet: Electrical Failure, Generator Failure, Transportation Failure, Fuel Shortage, Communications Failure, Information Systems Failure, Fire Internal, Floor Internal, Hazmat Exposure, Supply Shortage and Structural Damage.

Mr. Niehus asked if the current generators in the City are where they need to be. Mr. Sharpe said somewhat. Mr. Blackley commented where current generators are located: WWTP, Service Dept., Water Plant and Fire Station.

Mr. Grau would like a definitive answer for the next meeting if the nursing homes in the City are required by law to have generators and if they are regularly tested.

Mr. Blackley asked if Geauga Transit provides transportation to elderly residents for doctor appointments; (which could be considered in the 'Transportation Failure' row). Mr. Sharpe said yes. Mr. Smock asked what would happen in a mass evacuation situation. Chief Niehus said school buses would be used, but there is no formal evacuation plan. Mr. Grau said he and Chief Niehus will look into the evacuation plan in the EOPP document.

Mr. Smock asked where fuel is from. Mr. Sharpe said Melzer; and there has been no issues obtaining fuel.

Chief Niehus shared that only once has the City's dispatch center been down and all 911 calls went to the county.

Mr. Blackley suggested looking into safety measures to prevent city employees from bringing in weapons to the municipal building.

Mr. Grau reviewed the three (3) topics to be clarified for the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – none.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The next Safety Committee meeting was set for August 6, 2019 at 7:30 a.m.

ADJOURN

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 a.m.

Attest:

Becky Repasky
Secretary