

SPECIAL SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

AUGUST 9, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Acting Chairman Rick Rettig. Committee members present were Jim Matuszak and Rick Rettig. Also present were Bridgette Kabat, City Administrator and Fire Chief Jeff Klein.

SAFER GRANT AWARD

Chief Klein reported that the City has been awarded a Staffing for Adequate Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant. The grant which is for \$534,000 will pay for wages and benefits for two years and will allow us to hire one additional firefighter/paramedic per shift. We will only get reimbursed for actual expenses so if we don't use the total amount within the two years we can request an extension. We have thirty days to accept the grant and 180 days to hire the new employees. Mr. Matuszak asked how this will affect the current schedule and Ms. Kabat said that financially we should see a reduction in call-ins and overtime. Chief Klein said it might be a little cramped, but they will work it out.

The Committee agreed 2-0 to recommend approval of accepting the SAFER Grant Award.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Rettig, Acting Chairman
Safety Committee

Next regular meeting: Tuesday, August 23, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. which is a change from the regular time.