

Minutes of Perrysburg Safety Committee

Meeting Held July 28, 2025

CALL TO ORDER - 4:30 PM

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chairman Barry VanHoozen.

ROLL CALL

Committee members present were Kevin Fuller, Barry VanHoozen, and Rick Rettig. Also present were Tim Effler, Law Director, Pat Jones, Deputy City Administrator, Bill McCullough, Fire Chief and Chris Sargent, Interm Police Chief.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

Terry and Debra Testen, 1804 Lexington Dr. Spoke about fireworks that were set off, 4th of July weekend. They said that the fireworks were too big for a residential neighborhood. They stated that the fireworks seemed like they should have been used by professionals and not used so close to homes and kids. Mr. and Mrs. Testen were worried about someone getting hurt or property being seriously damaged.

APPROVAL OF MAY 27, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

There being no objections, the minutes of the May 27, 2025 meeting were approved 3-0.

FIREWORKS CONCERN

Mr. Jones spoke about residents' concerns about fireworks leaving debris in pools and yards. Fire Chief McCullough said that they plan to educate as much as possible, so people can stay safe when using fireworks in a residential neighborhood.

SPEED LIMIT ON MAUMEE WESTERN ROAD

Mr. Effler spoke about the speed on Maumee Western Reserve Road. Currently, the statutory speed is 50mph, but the posted speed limit signs show 45mph. Mr. Effler said that this legislation will change the statutory speed limit to match the posted speed signs. There being no objections, this is being forwarded 3-0 to City Council.

E-BIKES, BICYCLES, TOY MOTOR VEHICLES, MUP

Mr. Jones, spoke to the committee about motor vehicle usage on the Multi-Use paths. He said that there have been concerns about the vehicles because they are capable of going very fast, and can be dangerous. He said that they are still working through solutions to these concerns. Mr. Rettig asked if we banned motor vehicles from the Multi-Use paths, where would they be legal to use? Mr. Jones said that is something they are discussing, because there should be a place where people can use them safely. Mr. Fuller asked about the differences in speed between motorized vehicles and a normal bike. Mr. Jones said that some of these vehicles are able to go as fast as 45 mph, and they are not able to stop as quickly as someone riding a bicycle, and that can be an issue for anyone on the MUP's.

MOBILE FOOD UNITS

Mr. Effler spoke to the committee about this legislation. He said that it would add more information to the City's code regarding general requirements for Mobile Food Units. Some of these outlined requirements are to mandate compliance with the Fire and Health Codes. Mr. Fuller asked if there are any regulations specific to Perrysburg in this re-write that a Food Truck vendor would be unaware of. Mr. Effler said that there isn't anything unusual or more strict than the surrounding cities. There being no objections, this is being forwarded 3-0 to City Council.

BID RESULTS FOR STATION 38 HVAC REPLACEMENT

Chief McCullough spoke about Station 38's HVAC replacement. He said that there is negative air pressure in the building due to the HVAC units being residential units and not commercial. Chief McCullough said that the company would also remove an old unit that is still on the roof that hasn't been functional for years. This is informational as the legislation was voted on last week at Service Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Jones spoke about alleyway closures in the 200 block to the east and west. He said that they will install the temporary barricades on Friday, August 1st.

Mr. Fuller moved to go into Executive Session to discuss imminent court action. Mr. Rettig seconded. The Committee went into Executive Session at 5:31 p.m.

Mr. VanHoozen moved to return from Executive Session. Mr. Rettig seconded. The Committee returned from Executive Session at 5:48 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry VanHoozen, Chairperson
Safety Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 25, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.