PUBLIC SAFETY & WELFARE COMMITTEE

October 6, 2025 5:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Members Present	Also in Attendance	Citizens Present
Dana Davis, Chair	Police Chief Brower	Andy Tessman
• Myron	Attorney Ali Panagopoulos	Tom Godfroy
Moldenhauer		 Zack Goodrow - Virtual
Bob Wetzel		
 Jonathan Lampe 		

2. RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Each individual who would like to address the Committee will be permitted up to three minutes for their comments

There were no comments from the public.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Public Safety & Welfare minutes from September 3, 2025
 - a. 09.03.2025 Public Safety Minutes.pdf (0.16 MB)
- B. Public Safety & Welfare minutes from September 16, 2025
 - a. <u>09.16.2025 Public Safety Minutes.pdf</u> (0.11 MB)

MOTION: Approve the Public Safety meeting notes from September 3 and September 16 (Wetzel/ Lampe/Unanimous approval)

4. BUSINESS

MOTION: Move agenda items B and C to the top of the Agenda to accommodate the residents who came to speak on behalf of those items. (Wetzel/Moldenhauer/Unanimous Approval)

- B. Review and take action: Special Event Trunk or Treat
 - b. MEMO MOOSE LODGE TRUNK OR TREAT.pdf (0.05 MB)
 - c. 2025-27 APP Redacted.pdf (1.25 MB)
 - d. 2025-27 MAP.pdf (0.43 MB)

MOTION: Approve Trunk or Treat from Moose Lodge 830 on October 25, 2025. (Lampe/Wetzel/Unanimous Approval)

- C. Review and take action: Special Event Christmas Parade
 - a. MEMO CHRISTMAS PARADE.pdf (0.05 MB)
 - b. 2025-29 APP Redacted.pdf (1.36 MB)
 - c. 2025-29 MAP.pdf (0.26 MB)

MOTION: Approve The Watertown Parade Committee's Christmas Parade event on November 29, 2025. (Moldenhauer/Lampe/Unanimous Approval)

A. Review and Discuss: Ordinance 410-45

a. 2025 10 06 Public Safety & Welfare - Ord 410-45.pdf (0.10 MB)

DISCUSSION:

- Davis began the discussion by reminding the committee members that there was a tragic vicious dog bite in Watertown in August. She said that, given those events, it is appropriate for the committee to review Ordinance 410-45 to ensure that it is effective, clear and defensible.
- Chief Brower presented the facts of the August 23, 2025 dog attack and answered questions from the committee.
- Attorney Panagopoulous gave a legal update of the case. The committee asked for her input in regard to the current ordinance. She said that the ordinance is solid and well-written. The attorney answered questions from the committee.
- Davis suggested some further clarification in the ordinance as to who has the authority to designate a dog "dangerous".
- The attorney will be working with the police chief to make some minor adjustments to the ordinance and then will present those updates to the committee later.

5. ADJOURN

Being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Lampe and seconded by Wetzel to adjourn. Motion was supported unanimously. Meeting ended at approximately 5:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Dana Davis, Chair

Note: These minutes are uncorrected, and any corrections made thereto will be noted in the proceedings at which these minutes are approved.