



City of Ashtabula
Ashtabula City Council
Safety Forces Committee
Monday, July 8, 2024 at 8:45 AM
Council Chambers
4230 Lake Avenue

Minutes

Opening of Committee Meeting

Call to Order

Roll Call

Members Present: Chair: Council President John Roskovics, Vice Chair: Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Member: Ward 2 Councilor Terence Guerriero

Absent: None

Officers Present: City Manager James Timonere, Clerk of Council Ashley Bell

Ashtabula Department Heads Present: Police Chief Robert Stell, Fire Chief Shawn Gruber

Visitors: None

Sunshine Law Certification

A quorum was established as defined by the Ashtabula City Council Rules of Order. The meeting met the requirements of the Ohio Sunshine Laws Open Meetings Act.

Welcome and Acknowledgement of Visitors

Special Guest Presentation

None

Police Department – Chief's Report

Chief Stell provided the report. Chief Stell stated the Police Department was not asked to participate in the "West Side Shoot Out". Previous years, the department was asked to provide security. Chief Stell provided insight regarding carrying a gun. If you are over the age of 18, and you are not a convicted felon, you may openly carry a gun.

June 2024 Statistics

Fire Department – Chief's Report

Chief Gruber provided the report. The calls for the Fire Department in 2024 are higher than 2022 and 2023. The increase is partly because of the need for Emergency Medical Services (EMS). All firefighters are paramedics. All response time is recorded. The Coast Guard will be present for the Wine and Walleye Festival which takes place July 27-28. Vice Chair Foglio stated there was no lifeguard on duty at Walnut Beach on July 7. The City Manager stated there should be a lifeguard from 12 p.m.-5 p.m.

Ashtabula Fire Department Statistics

City Manager's Report

No report.

City Solicitor's Report

No report.

Unfinished Business

No report.

New Business

No report.

Next Meeting

August 12, 2024

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m. by Committee Chair Roskovics.