

**VILLAGE OF NORTH SYRACUSE
Public Safety Committee**

Dedicated to increasing the safety of the residents, in the Village of North Syracuse

Monday, June 6th, 2016 – 4:00 p.m.
North Syracuse Community Center

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Chairman, Fred Ferguson. Minutes of the March 7th, 2016 meeting were approved.

ATTENDANCE

Fred Ferguson, Chairman/Deputy Mayor
Michael Crowell, Police Chief
Teresa Roth, Parks & Recreation
Ray Sharp, Committeeman
Mark Stockham, Village Resident

1. Trustee's Report

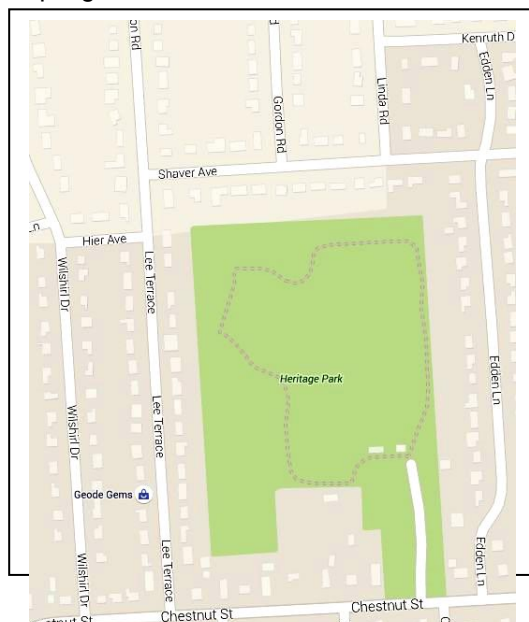
Fred reported that he had received a number of complaints from Luisa Rotella (102 Ivon Drive). 1. She had seen a coyote near Belmore Drive and Wells Ave. 2. She had requested Gary Wilmer replace her garbage cans; it was explained the DPW only provides recycle bins. 3. She also wanted something be done with speeding cars on Ivon Dr. These matters were noted and reported to the proper agencies. Fred commented on the North Syracuse Community Garden groundbreaking tomorrow and on the upcoming mandated safety meeting for staff Wednesday, June 8th.

2. Police

The Chief said though the calls for service are down, the use of force is up. He attributed this to the increasing incidents of drug abuse and mental health issues. He continues the process of selecting additional officers for the department.

3. Mark Stockham

Mark, of 40 Lee Terrace, reported speeding cars, trucks and motorcycles blow through three stop signs on his street. He feels the street has become a short cut for many from Bear Road to Chestnut Street. He has spoken to several



of the village department heads about this issue many times. Much discussion followed. The only thing that may help would be traffic monitoring to determine the number of incidents and times that violations occur so enforcement may be targeted. The suggested location for the counting strip would be half way south on Lee Terrace towards Chestnut Street (so their speed can be accurately represented).

4. Fire Department

No one from the department attended. Fred noticed a hydrant in front of Luther Memorial Lutheran Church had been replaced and there was a plastic card on the top of it explaining how to use it in both English and Spanish. Chief Ellis was apprised of this.

5. Codes

Fred reported that the Mayor was working out a 3 month sharing agreement with the Town of Cicero. One of their codes officers would temporarily fill in our vacancy, created when Pam DiCarlo went to work for the Town of Clay.

6. Parks & Recreation

Teresa's department has distributed the park's summer schedules and the pool will open this Friday. Work is continuing on Lonergan Park. It has been suggested that a re-dedication ceremony be held following the completion. Ray Sharp asked about OSHA inspections and compliance procedures for the pool opening. She said the Village Festival was a success despite the high temperatures and humidity which kept some seniors away or limited their stay. There were no serious health issues reported. She thanked the Fire Department for providing the water spraying event.

7. DPW

Gary was excused - no report was provided.

8. Committee

Ray asked who should be called when uncontained fires on private properties are seen. Mike said to call 911. Either the police or the fire department or both will respond.

9. Chairman's Additional Comments

The minutes of this meeting will be distributed in village mail boxes and through e-mail. He thanked all for attending. Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Next meeting:

Monday, September 12, 2016 – 4:00 pm – at the Community Center (small room, 103).

**Alfred E. "Fred" Fergerson
Safety Chairman/Deputy Mayor**

cc: Mayor Butterfield
Trustee Gustafson
Trustee Browning
Trustee Linnertz
Dianne Kufel, Clerk/Treasurer
Pam DiCarlo, Codes
Michael Crowell, Police Dept.
Gary Wilmer, DPW
Teresa Roth, Parks & Recreation
Chief Tim Ellis, Fire Dept.
Bob Liberatore, Fire Dept.
Deputy Chief Chris Strong, Fire Dept.
David Robinson
Jack Gaiser
Ray Sharp