



**VILLAGE OF NORTH SYRACUSE  
Public Safety Committee**

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

Monday, September 12th, 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 June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting were approved.

**ATTENDANCE**

Fred Ferguson, Chairman/Deputy Mayor  
Teresa Roth, Parks & Recreation  
Gary Wilmer, DPW  
David Barnhart, Codes  
David Robinson, Committee  
Jack Gaiser, Committee

**1. Trustee's Report**

Fred introduced David Barnhart, our new Codes Officer, to the committee. He reported that the Village Board passed a resolution to formally accept Malta Lane and Trolley Barn Lane as village streets into our highway inventory. This allows them to be included in our NYS CHIPS funds (Consolidated Highway & Street Improvement Program).

Fred reported that the Board of Trustees had discussed the existing local law for Church Street Parking (no parking any time with the exception of Sunday between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.). He noted that the first one hundred feet, is designated one hour parking. The Mayor would like to see that changed to permit parking in more than the first 100 feet. Our village attorney commented that some changes to the wording and a public hearing would be needed. He suggested scheduling a public hearing for the next meeting. He could draft a resolution to address this. Police Chief Crowell questioned whether the Safety Committee should look at this prior to the appeal. The Mayor stated there wasn't immediacy, but he would like it amended in the near future.

**Lee Terrace Study:**

At our last meeting, Mark Stockham, of 40 Lee Terrace, reported speeding cars, trucks and motorcycles blowing through three stop signs on his street. We suggested a location for the counting strip that would be half way south on Lee Terrace towards Chestnut Street (so their speed can be accurately represented). 5105 vehicles were tracked in a week, 206 or 4% were speeding (assumed not stopping at the signs) with speeds over 36 MPH. On Thursday, July 21st at 8 am one vehicle was recorded between 46-50. The police and DPW were advised. 1-4 pm was the peak. The study was done between July 18th through the 25th.

We've been advised of a potential hazard at 106 Edden Lane. Gary Wilmer brought to our attention the presence of a large rock and cement blocks have been placed, in the right of way, on the bend near Chestnut Street. Our attorney has advised they can be removed. The DPW is hesitant to do so until winter.

New LED lighting has been proposed for the village. Elm Street is the test sight for this. Maxsur.com is a company that can place surveillance cameras inside the lights if we are interested.

**2. Police**

No one from the police department was present.

3. Fire Department

No one from the fire department was present.

4. Codes

Dave Barnhart had no report.

5. Parks & Recreation

Teresa reported that the "Flexipave" coating on the pool deck was coming up again. She has contacted the installers. They have agreed to repair it at no cost to the village. Teresa was interested in the concept of security cameras in the parks as we've experienced vandalism recently.

6. DPW

Gary spoke on the issue of the obstructions at the 100 Block of Edden Lane and in the right of way. He suggested a letter be sent to the owner to move the stone and blocks 4 feet back from the current location. If necessary, the village attorney has advised the DPW to remove them. Gary believes the set back is 25 feet from the road center line. He also addressed the Lee Terrace speeding issue. The Slow Park signs were relocated. Brush was removed making the entrance more visible.

7. Committee

Dave Robinson would like to obtain a hydrant marker for his neighborhood. This will be referred to Tim Ellis. Jack Gaiser reported an unlicensed hearse on Shaver Avenue to Codes.

8. Chairman's Additional Comments

Fred explained that OCC would be offering a PSCIM (Public Safety Critical Incident Management) course to begin Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>. The course is free and is invaluable to those involved in mass causality situations. Registration is due by October 10th. Contact Fred for more information. 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, December 5, 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 Henry  
Dianne Kufel, Clerk/Treasurer  
David Barnhart, 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  
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