

**Amberley Village Council
Police/Fire Committee – Minutes
January 6, 2014**

Attendees

Committee members: Peg Conway, Rich Bardach, Ed Hattenbach

Others: Natalie Wolf, Ray Warren, Tom Muething, Bill Doering, Scot Lahrmer, Louis Katz, Wes Brown, Mark Roeseler, Brian Blum

Prior Minutes

The minutes from the meeting of December 4, 2013, were reviewed and approved as submitted.

Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

Mr. Lahrmer presented an overview and draft pages of the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan developed by the Hamilton County Emergency Management Agency in coordination with representatives of all the jurisdictions in the County. Since 2003, such a plan must be on file to obtain federal emergency aid. The current plan expired in February 2013. Meetings have been held to review hazards that communities are susceptible to.

Mr. Muething asked about the inclusion of a gas pipeline explosion as a possible hazard; Mr. Lahrmer will follow up.

Mr. Hattenbach moved to recommend that Council accept the plan. Seconded by Mr. Bardach, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Muething requested that an updated and corrected version of the document be circulated for review before the Council meeting on Jan. 13.

Equipment for Police Cruisers

Delivery of three new police cruisers authorized by Council in November 2013 is anticipated next month, and it is necessary to customize them as cruisers. Officer Roeseler explained that as much of the previous equipment as possible will be removed and installed in the new vehicles, but much of it will not be usable because the new cruisers are a different model and the previous model is no longer made. Estimated cost is \$20,616.70.

Mr. Hattenbach moved to recommend that Council authorize the purchase and installation of the necessary equipment. Seconded by Mr. Bardach, the motion passed unanimously.

There was significant discussion about the uses and benefits of having a license plate reader in the cruiser. Currently the Village has one vehicle so equipped. The police department was encouraged to research how many license plate readers other communities employ and report back to the Committee for possible consideration of purchasing a second one.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Peg Conway, Chair