BOARD OF ALDERMEN
PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2004
7:00 P.M. IN ROOM 104
SHELTON CITY HALL, 54 HILL STREET, SHELTON, CT

AGENDA

♦ CALL OF THE MEETING/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The meeting was called to order by Alderman Papa at 7:15 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

IN ATTENDANCE: Alderman Papa
               Alderman Finn
               Alderman Lanzi
               Alderman Minotti

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Voccola, Police Department
                    Noreen McGorty, EMS

♦ PUBLIC PORTION
No one from the public wished to speak.

♦ CORRESPONDENCE
ALDERMAN FINN MOVED TO ADD TO THE AGENDA
CORRESPONDENCE AND ALSO TO ADD CORRESPONDENCE
AS PART OF THE AGENDA FOR EVERY MEETING OF THE
PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE. ALL IN FAVOR.
MOTION CARRIED 3-0

The following letters were read into the record.
MEMORANDUM

To: Aldermanic Public Health & Safety Committee
From: Chief Robert A. Voccola
Date: December II. 2003
Subject: Constitution Boulevard North
Request for Signage and Litter Control

The Police Department has reviewed this area and offers the following solutions:

- North Constitution Boulevard to be posted "No Parking' on both sides from about 100 feet north of the handicapped/emergency entrance to the athletic field to an area 100 feet south of the north school driveway.
- Independence Drive to be posted "No Parking' on both sides from Constitution Boulevard to Wellington Court.
- A Board of Education guard should monitor the handicapped/emergency entrance in order to limit its use to authorized persons.
- The Aldermanic Public Health and Safety Committee should advise the Board of Education to notify those persons attending events to park in the High School parking lot.
- Buses should be encouraged to use the High School parking lot to discharge passengers and load/unload equipment.
- The Board of Education can encourage visitors to use the Intermediate School parking lot for overflow parking.
- Trash receptacles should be placed in all of these areas in order to address the litter problem.

The Shelton Police Department will closely monitor the area for any violations. If you have any questions, or if additional information is needed, please don't hesitate to contact me.

RAV/pmr
Alderman Papa states that he advised the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen to sent this letter to the Chairman of the Board of Education and also all the members of the Board of Education. Alderman Finn sent letters to T. Walsh, Building & Ground and A. Smergalino, Athletic Comm. of the Board of Education. Also a letter should go to Superintendent of Schools. Alderman Finn noticed a sign on Meadow pointing to Constitution Blvd. to park for games. Alderman Finn asks for these signs to come down. He also mentioned this to Parks & Recreation since they schedule games also on the fields.

Alderman Minotti asks if the Police Department will enforce these signs.
MEMORANDUM

To: Aldermanic Public Health & Safety Committee
From: Chief Robert A. Voccola
Date: December II, 2003
Subject: Long Hill Avenue at Rocky Rest Road
Request for Signage

A request was received from Edward Lysak of 525 Long Hill Avenue that 'Stop' signs be installed on Long Hill Avenue at the intersection of Rocky Rest Road. This request is based on cars exceeding the speed limit, a school in the area, as well as many pedestrians crossing Long Hill Avenue. There is traffic using Rocky Rest Road for access to the hospitals and churches in the area. A review of the accident/incident data at this intersection over the past three years indicates that there have been no motor vehicle collisions at this location, which includes a 500-feet clear sightline in both directions with no obstructions.

The crosswalks will be repainted as soon as weather permits. There are more than enough warning signs in place advising motorists of the school 'Speed Limit' signs of 25 mph are in place, as well as recently *Handicapped' signs near 555 Long Hill Avenue.

Speed is a problem on the road, and our enforcement efforts will continue. However, at this time, I cannot support the installation of 'Stop' signs on Long Hill Avenue at Rocky Rest Road.

RAV/pmr

cc: Mayor Mark A. Lauretti
Edward Lysak, 525 Long Hill Avenue
♦ AGENDA ITEMS:

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
   1. REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 3, 2003

ALDERMAN FINN MOVED TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD TO WAIVE THE READING AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY MEETING OF DECEMBER 3, 2003. SECONDED BY ALDERMAN LANZI. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

2. **NEW BUSINESS**
   2.1 CONSTITUTION BOULEVARD NORTH –

This letter was read under Correspondence.

3. **OLD BUSINESS**
   3.1 FIRE & BURGLAR ALARM ORDINANCE

Chief Voccola stated probably next month he will be ready to release this ordinance.
Alderman Finn questioned the fines. Chief Voccola stated the rough draft states going to a 12 month period. The 1st false alarm is a warning – 2nd false alarm would be a $100.00 fine.

Alderman Finn likes the part about the home/business owner will sit down with police and alarm company.

Chief states that the collection of the fees are being done by Finance Department and they are doing a fine job.
Alderman Finn asks about fire alarms – are half false. Chief doesn't want to answer for them. The Fire Marshall issues the tickets and then they go through the Police Department for fines which are then sent to City Hall.
Chief Voccola states that next month he feels the ordinance draft should be done.

All tickets for enforcement are channeled through the Police Dept.
MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Mark A. Lauretti
From: Chief Robert A. Voccola
Date: January 7, 2004
Subject: Motor Vehicle Enforcement - December 2003

Attached is a listing of highway traffic safety activity by the Shelton Police Department for the month of December, 2003.
As you will see from your review, speeding violations represent the largest part of the list. Of the 67 vehicles clocked, violators were traveling an average of 19.81 miles per hour over the speed limit. The 75 violators listed on the report will each pay an average fine of $158.
RAV/pmr
Attachment
3. REPORTS OF THE EMERGENCY SERVICES

A. POLICE SERVICES

Chief Voccola handed out the above letter with a report attached regarding motor vehicle enforcement for December 2003.

This is an answer to the questions about running radar. It is a summary of the violations. Long Hill area was a problem for awhile.

The fine goes to the State.

The Chief wants everyone to be reminded about the Police Ceremony on 1/8/2004 for 7 officers either promoted or appointed.

B. EMERGENCY SERVICES

Ms. McGorty wants to wish everyone a Happy New Year.

She states that the High School is going to have a CPR/EMT course. The main reason was to give the students something, an interest outside the High School for a career or use for activity to get involved in the community. Also to increase recruitment. They have a curriculum and time frame. It will be perhaps after school now and in September it was to be part of their transcript.

1. CPR/EMT course will be put in curriculum in September. They are working with Ms. Rossner, Athletic Dir. and school.
2. There is a communication issue with coverage. There will be a meeting Monday and they have proposals to look at. It is a coverage issue – frequency issue (Echo Hose). They will hear their issues and get the facts. The Police Dept. did a study on the repeater system. All three emergency services have these issues. The Fire Department has this issue and the Aldermen have talked with them and put money in the budget. Ms. McGorty states EMS was not included with this study and they have the same issue. Alderman Finn & Papa state that she should put it in this budget for 6 year capital improvement. Alderman Papa states you have to figure this in. The three services should have the same equipment.
3. The EMS Building has been painted and repairs have been done. The inside has the original carpet from 1986.

Alderman Lanzi adds that the letter from the Chief states that Constitution Blvd. will be monitored by the Police during games.
Alderman Minotti asks if the EMS building is open for students to visit. Not that Ms. McGorty is aware of.

B. FIRE SERVICES

No one from the Fire Department was present to address the Committee.

♦ ADJOURNMENT

ALDERMAN LANZI MOVED TO ADJOURN AT 7:50 P.M. SECONDED BY ALDERMAN FINN. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

MARGARET WEBER, CLERK
PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE