

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
June 23, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present:	Councilor Martin Pepin, Chair Councilor Kenneth S. Vincent, Vice-Chair Councilor Denis Messier
Committee Members Absent:	Councilor Nancie Cameron
Administration/Staff present:	City Manager Bob Belmore Finance Director Scott Smith Police Chief Timothy McLin Fire Chief George Kramlinger Stewarts Ambulance Paul Robidas Welfare Officer Kristen LaPanne

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Chairman Pepin called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

***Councilor Messier made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2022 meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Vincent and passed 3-0.***

FIRE ENGINE-3 (E-3) REPAIR

Manager Belmore stated he had provided a packet memo with a cost estimate to repair Fire Engine-3's motor and reported the total cost is approximately \$39,387. Belmore explained that Fire Engine-3 currently sits in Concord where it was towed, E-3 is currently 21-22 years old with a potential of another 7-8 years left according to the Chief. Currently the Fire Department has two fire pumper trucks including E-3 and a ladder. Belmore stated that if it is decided to not repair E-3, the department would be down to 1 functioning pumper truck. Although we are purchasing a new Fire Engine, we are not scheduled to receive it for approximately 4 months. Belmore added that if E-3 were not to be repaired and should another engine become disabled, the City would be forced to potentially rely mutual aid. Chief Kramlinger did inquire about rental or lease options, however he stated it was unsuccessful.

Councilor Vincent questioned what happened to E-3, was it lack of regular maintenance and are their checklists required by staff to complete? Chief Kramlinger responded that no preventative actions could have been done to avoid the catastrophic failure and no warning signs were given such as a noise or check engine light. E-3 had a sudden loss of power and was leaking coolant. E-3 is the back-up engine, but because engine-4 was in the shop being fixed, E-3 was in use. Chief Kramlinger also confirmed that the department has daily and weekly check sheets that are kept on file.

Belmore noted that the Finance Committee is scheduled to meet following this meeting to discuss how to fund the repairs should that be the decision.

Councilor Messier commented that with another truck on order, he agrees to repairing E-3 and that as a back-up it should suffice once the new engine arrives.

***Councilor Messier made a motion to support the repairs to Fire Engine-3. The motion was seconded by Councilor Vincent and passed 3-0***

#### MISCELLANEOUS

Police Chief McLin and Chief Robidas stated that they had nothing new to report.

#### ADJOURNMENT

***Councilor Messier made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilor Vincent and passed 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.***

Respectfully submitted,

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Kristen LaPanne, Welfare Officer