



# WILDWOOD

**Meeting of the  
BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
Thursday, September 12, 2019  
Wildwood City Hall Community Room  
16860 Main Street  
APPROVED**

Committee Members in Attendance:

Marshal Scott Collier  
Board Member Denny Welker  
Captain James Mundel, St Louis County Police  
Board Member James David Williams  
Board Member Lynette Baker  
Joe Haefler, Metro West Fire Protection District (sitting in for Deputy Chief John Bradley)  
Council Member Dave Bertolino

Absent:

Deputy Chief John Bradley

Also Present:

Rick Brown, Director of Public Works / City Engineer  
Brendan Maher, Civil Engineer

## **I. ROLL CALL**

A roll call was taken at 6:30 pm, with the above noted as present.

## **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Board Member Denny Welker to approve the minutes from the August 8th meeting. Board Member Dave Williams seconded the motion. All present voted in favor and the motion was approved.

## **III. PUBLIC COMMENT**

A. Council Member John Gragnani expressed concern for tractor trailer use on Pond Rd and Smith School Rd. He expressed that the road is too narrow for an 18-wheeler and a school bus to pass, too narrow for a school bus and a fire truck to pass, and he has seen a dually pick-up get run off the road by an 18 wheeler on Smith School Rd. Construction on 109 is bringing highway traffic on to Pond Rd from Franklin County. He would like a permanent fix for this problem as the roads are not made for it. He would like the City to contact Google about the alternate route.

## **IV. FOR INFORMATION**

A. None

## V. OLD BUSINESS

### A. Deer Management Subcommittee Update

- 1) Deer Management Subcommittee Chair, David Williams, shared an update with the group.
- 2) Bow Hunting Deer Season begins September 15<sup>th</sup> and that the City could take measures to project that message to the public as an opportunity for deer management within the current rights of residents.
- 3) St. Louis County police are offering to help with a survey to connect with the public about the issue.
- 4) It was determined that sampling practices should be ongoing, provided that funding is available, and recommended sampling as a budgetary item for the 2019 season.
- 5) Scott Collier has offered to sit in the meetings as the new Marshall.
- 6) Date for the next deer meeting is to be determined.

### B. Proposed Semi-Tractor Trailer Restrictions on Pond Road and Smith School Road/Spur

- 1) The Board of Public Safety can recommend signage to restrict tractor trailer traffic on Pond Rd and Smith School Rd.
- 2) Board Member Dave Williams made a motion to use signage to restrict tractor trailer traffic on both Pond Rd between State Route 100 and Babler Park Dr., and Smith School Rd/ Spur between Babler Park Dr. and Pond Rd. Board Member Denny Welker seconded the motion.

## VI. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Proposed Prohibition on Unmuffled Engine Braking

- 1) Residents occasionally bring this up due to the noise of the braking.
- 2) There was discussion as to whether this was enforceable by police, that the J-brake is a manufactured safety device, and it is used on emergency vehicles.
- 3) Captain Mundel stated that if there was a consistent offender, that police could continue with a course of action without an ordinance. He also stated that generally a conversation with the driver is adequate.
- 4) The item was tabled for further discussion.

### B. Use of Golf Carts on City Streets

- 1) Director of Public Works, Rick Brown, described the difference between “low speed vehicles” and golf carts, in order to clarify distinctions of new ordinances in neighboring municipalities.
- 2) Current Wildwood City ordinances prohibit golf carts from using City streets.
- 3) Several Board Members expressed that they were not in favor of golf carts on city streets because it is too dangerous, there are too many risks with potential for tragic results, and that it is a problem waiting to happen.

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Board Member Denny Welker to adjourn and was seconded by Marshal Scott Collier. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Scherer  
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