



NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Co-Chair: J. William Bell, Twelfth District

Co-Chair: Karen Hartley-Nagle, President

January 11, 2022

4:00 PM

VIRTUAL ZOOM WEBINAR MEETING**

MINUTES

A. Meeting Call to Order

-The meeting was called to order at 04:00 PM.

Members present: John Cartier, David Carter, Lisa Diller, Dee Durham, Karen Hartley-Nagle, Janet Kilpatrick, Timothy Sheldon, George Smiley, Jea Street, David Tackett, Kenneth Woods

Members absent: J. William Bell, Penrose Hollins

B. Approval of Minutes

Motion by George Smiley, **seconded** by Janet Kilpatrick, to approve the minutes from the December 14, 2021 Public Safety Committee meeting. The minutes were approved by voice vote.

C. Review/Discussion of Resolution(s)

-None

D. Review/Discussion of Ordinance(s)

°21-138: (TO BE VOTED 1/11/22) AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$40,000 FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO THE MILL CREEK FIRE COMPANY TRAFFIC SAFETY VEHICLES GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Ms. Hartley-Nagle

-President Hartley-Nagle read the title into the record.

-Karla Jones, Public Safety, gave a brief synopsis of the ordinance.

-Mr. Sheldon asked to be a co-sponsor.

-No discussion or questions.

°21-139: (TO BE VOTED 1/11/22) AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE FEDERAL FUNDING OF \$121,530.88 TO THE HOLISTIC OFFICER WELLNESS GRANT FOR

THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Ms Hartley-Nagle

- President Hartley-Nagle read the title into the record.
- Karla Jones, Public Safety, gave a brief synopsis of the ordinance.
- No discussion or questions.

°21-140: (TO BE VOTED 1/11/22) AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE FEDERAL FUNDING OF \$198,701 TO THE COPS DE-ESCALATION TRAINING GRANT FOR THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Ms. Hartley-Nagle

- President Hartley-Nagle read the title into the record.
- Karla Jones, Public Safety, gave a brief synopsis of the ordinance.
- No discussion or questions.

21-141: (TO BE VOTED 1/11/22) AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE FEDERAL FUNDING OF \$179,385 TO THE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) 2021 GRANT FOR THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Ms. Hartley-Nagle

- President Hartley-Nagle read the title into the record.
- Karla Jones, Public Safety, gave a brief synopsis of the ordinance.
- No discussion or questions.

°21-142: (TO BE VOTED 1/11/22) AMEND THE FY2022 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED POSITION COUNT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY BY TEN PARAMEDIC POSITIONS TO ALLOW CONTINUED HIRING OF PRE-CERTIFIED PARAMEDICS WHILE UPCOMING 2022 NEW CASTLE COUNTY PARAMEDIC CLASS IS IN TRAINING Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Ms. Hartley-Nagle

- President Hartley-Nagle read the title into the record.
- Karla Jones, Public Safety, gave a brief synopsis of the ordinance.
- No discussion or questions.

°21-143: (TO BE VOTED 1/11/22) AMEND THE FY2022 CAPITAL PROGRAM AND BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$1,000,000 IN FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE FISCAL YEAR 2022 GRANTS-IN-AID BILL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, EMS REALIGNMENT AND BUILDING CAPITAL PROJECT Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Ms. Hartley-Nagle

- President Hartley-Nagle read the title into the record.
- Karla Jones, Public Safety, gave a brief synopsis of the ordinance.
- No discussion or questions.

°22-001: (TO BE VOTED 1/25/22) AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$47,837 FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO THE CRANSTON HEIGHTS FIRE COMPANY TRAFFIC SAFETY VEHICLES GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Ms. Hartley-Nagle

- President Hartley-Nagle read the title into the record.
- Karla Jones, Public Safety, gave a brief synopsis of the ordinance.
- No discussion or questions.
- Ms. Kilpatrick asked to be added as co-sponsor for Ordinance 22-001 and Ordinance 21-138.

E. Coordinator Dave Carpenter will discuss FEMA disaster declaration cost recovery related to Covid, Tropical Storm Ida and Tropical Storm Isaias.

- Coordinator Dave Carpenter spoke and gave a presentation.

F. Public Safety Director Vaughn Bond will provide an update on the impact the Covid Omicron variant is having on New Castle County Public Safety.

-Public Safety Director Vaughn Bond gave an update.

G. Rich Perillo, President of the New Castle County Volunteer Firefighters Association will provide remarks.

-Rich Perillo gave an update on the firefighter and ambulance services.

H. Other

-Mr. Street spoke on the recent opinion by the Attorney General.

I. Public Comment

-None

J. Adjournment

Motion by George Smiley, **seconded** by Janet Kilpatrick, to adjourn the **Public Safety Committee Meeting**. The motion was approved and the meeting was adjourned at 05:03 pm.