

SAFETY COMMITTEE

July 15, 2008

4:30 P.M.

Councilwoman Gaines, Chairman, called the meeting of the Safety Committee to order, with Councilmen Benson, Rico, Berz, Shockley, Bennett, Page, Pierce, and Robinson present. City Attorneys Randall Nelson, Crystal Freiberg, and Phil Noblett were present, as was Shirley Crownover, Assistant Clerk to the Council.

Others present included Steve Leach, Lee Norris, Richard Beeland, Rick Mincey, Paul Page, Chief Rawlston, Dickie Hutsell, Dan Johnson, Donna Kelley, Chief Rowe, Barry Bennett, Sgt. Collins, Sgt. Haskins, Larry Zehnder, Mike McMahan, Bill Payne and Daisy Madison.

Chairman Gaines explained that we had two Resolutions from the Chief of Police that would be on next week's agenda as Item (b) and (c).

Chief Rawlston went over **Resolution (b)** that authorized the acceptance of the COPS FY 2008 Technology Program (TECH) Grant from the U.S. Dept. of Justice for a total amount not to exceed \$631,328.00, for a three year period, with no local matching funds required. Chief Rawlston explained that we applied for this last year and did not receive the funding; that they contacted us this year and said that it was a well-written grant, and we are applying again. **On motion of Councilwoman Berz, seconded by Councilwoman Bennett, this will be recommended for approval by the entire Council.**

Councilman Page asked what the grant would be used for and was told cards and licenses to be used with the laptop computers to communicate field reports, etc.

Resolution (c) authorizes the 2008 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant from the Bureau of Justice in an amount not to exceed \$63,960.00 for a three-year period, with no local matching funds required, with the City receiving \$50,017.00 and Hamilton County, Tennessee, receiving \$13,943.00. **On motion of Councilwoman Berz, seconded by Councilwoman Bennett, this will be recommended for approval by the entire Council.** This will be used for the Citizens' Police Academy, Crime Prevention, and technology purchases.

Chairman Gaines reiterated that these two Resolutions will be on next week's agenda and stated that the Curfew and Noise Ordinances will be discussed at a later time and everyone will be notified—that there is no time certain.

GENERAL SERVICES PURCHASE

Paul Page had left at this time and had asked Chief Rawlston to go over a purchase that would be on tonight's agenda for ten surplus computers that would be replaced with laptops. They could not be sold and would have to be destroyed if not utilized by another law enforcement agency due to the fact that they may have law-enforcement sensitive materials on them. It is being recommended that they be donated to the Grundy County Sheriff's Dept. and the Monteagle Police Dept. **On motion of Councilwoman Berz, seconded by Councilman Shockley, this will be recommended to the full Council for approval.**

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.