

VILLAGE OF SHOREWOOD HILLS
Public Health & Safety Committee Minutes - APPROVED

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 – 7:00pm

Location: Virtual via Zoom

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Carol Barford called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.
 - a. **Roll call:** Committee members present were Carol Barford, Jeremy Tunis, Jim Rogers, Bob Falk, and Bill Muehl. Dietmar Bassuner was absent-excused and Nadeem Afghan was absent-excused. Also present was Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Chrissy Kahl and Jerry Steim as a member of the public.
 - b. **Note compliance with open meeting law:** Kahl confirmed that the meeting was properly posted.
2. **Public Comment and Communication:** Jerry Steim, liaison for Madison Fire and former Assistant Fire Chief was in attendance to hear the discussion regarding Madison fire calls.
3. **Approve meeting minutes from November 28, 2023:** Muehl moved, seconded by Tunis to approve the November 28, 2023 meeting minutes. Rogers inquired if edits are made to documents can links be added to minutes. Motion carried.
4. **Discussion of potential anti-idling ordinance:** Barford introduced this item. This was brought to the committee from the Village Board. The Green Team made the proposal provided in the meeting packet. Barford discussed, by email, with Chief Pharo. She summarized the information for tonight’s meeting. Police would enforce anti-idling in the form of education, only citations for the most egregious violations; how long should the permitted period of time be-perhaps the time limit should be consistent to City of Madison’s; inclusion of on road vehicles vs. off road; citations for egregious violations or repeat issues; if a citation would be issued, it would be in the category of a parking violation ticket per State law. Discussion included: possibility of adopting City of Madison’s policy but greatly reducing the fines; focus being on education rather than enforcement due to staffing of the PD and resources; a resolution rather than an ordinance may be an option; keep consistent with City of Madison; small engines of chainsaws, weed trimmers, etc. do not run enough to be included. Rogers moved a recommendation to the Board of adoption of City of Madison’s anti-idling ordinance but with fines of \$100.00 and not include small engines. The motion did not have a second. Further discussion included: perhaps come up with an educational FAQ document to present to the Board. A packet to the Board could include: emulate City of Madison’s ordinance but with more emphasis on education rather than punishment and include educational points. Barford will provide a bullet list at the next meeting based on the discussion.
5. **Discussion of “Safety First” outreach:** Barford reviewed. The three articles that Falk submitted in the packet are helpful and positive. Falk included links, those should be included or use a URL shortener that would lead people to one spot for all links. That would also work for those who get the paper version to utilize. Rogers offered to help create the short URL for submissions to the office staff for the bulletin.

6. **Discussion of recent fire and EMS calls in the Village:** Barford introduced this item and the committee reviewed the information provided. The chart and information is set out nicely that are provided by Madison EMS. The committee is looking at repeat callers and false alarms as well.
7. **Discussion of recent calls to Shorewood Hills Police Department:** Barford reviewed. Checked property is the largest category, which include nightly business checks, vacation checks, and other property checks.
8. **Announcements, questions, and/or consideration items for future agendas (no discussion or action to be taken under this item):**
 - Continuous review of fire, EMS and police calls monthly
9. **Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2024
10. **Adjourn:** Muehl moved, seconded by Tunis to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Chrissy Kahl
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer