



SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

July 13, 2026 @ 5:00 P.M.

City Hall - Board Room

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Present in the Board Room at City Hall were Mayor Hobbs, Alderman Messick, Alderman Parsley, Alderman French, Police Chief Floied, Assistant Police Chief Robertson, Fire Chief Chambers, and Director Fiske.

Alderman Parsley called the meeting to order, and no citizen comments were made.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The approval of the minutes were not voted on by the committee. The minutes will be placed on the August 10, 2026 safety meeting for voting approval.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The approval of the agenda was not voted on by the committee. The agenda will be placed on the August 10, 2026 safety meeting for voting approval.

CODES DEPARTMENT Director Fiske started her departmental review with her monthly report. Director Fiske stated the Codes department hired Reagan Bates last month from Tullahoma, and Reagan is doing a wonderful job. As of July 1st the Codes department has absorbed Animal Control and its single employee, Anthony Underwood. Since animal control has been under codes, they have hired an additional employee, Allen Thompson. Director Fiske has ordered requested items for animal control such as replacing locks so all kennels will have uniform locks. Director Fiske stated the employee safety committee for June and July discussed heat illness and hydration. Director Fiske held a QPR training (Question, Persuade, Respond) class through the Wellness All Around Program. The QPR training was a suicide prevention training that was attended by city employees. Director Fiske discussed the monthly report stating there was an increase in revenue from May. The monthly report also showed the number of new family building permits issued, number of inspections, violations, citations, illegal signs pulled, storm water inspections, site inspections, and planning inspections. Director Fiske stated the codes department collected over thirty thousand dollars in impact fees and thirty thousand dollars in building related fees. Director Fiske discussed the accident reports for this year are up compared to last year. Director Fiske noted that she has been in contact with the Recreation department regarding quotes for a new locker room floor.

FIRE DEPARTMENT Chief Chambers started his departmental review with the departments number of calls being eighty-two responses for the month. Chief Chambers stated the department conducted Inspections at Bonnaroo from the 1st to the 14th of June, and stood

by for PYRO events at Bonnaroo. Inspections were conducted at WAWA, Fairfield Inn, Follow up inspections at Kasai, Walmart, Best Western and Microtel Hotel for alarm activations at each facility. The department Installed twenty-five smoke alarms in five homes along with two C.O alarms and a Safe Awake Alarms. Chief Chambers stated the personnel who volunteered to work Bonnaroo traffic did a great job. Personnel with the department volunteered to assist the VFW with their monthly breakfast and held agility testing for potential new hires. The department hired two individuals that will start in July. The department received ten packs, twenty-five bottles and five extra masks. They are working on getting blue tooth interface for packs and radios set up. They need to reprogram their portable radios, and are working with Manchester Police to accomplish this task. The department turned in three grants in to TEMA. The department is looking at other grants for new training device for extinguisher training. The department received a new quote for Repeaters which is \$58,583.88. This is down \$14,498 from previous quote. This includes repeaters, 2 new mobile radios for repeaters and all the programming associated with upgrade for all portable and vehicles. The Communication Center board approved the purchase of new Repeater for the Comm Center area for TACAN. Due to be installed in August. Hopefully with a repeater in the county this will help greatly on the reception inside facilities. Chief Chambers discussed the state increasing the days fireworks maybe purchased or sold. However, the state is going to repeal this decision on February 1, 2027 to align with the current city ordinance. A brief discussion ensued before it was agreed to send out a memo of the states extended firework dates.

POLICE DEPARTMENT Chief Floied started his departmental review with the departments calls for service for the month of June being one thousand nine hundred and sixty-two. Chief Floied highlighted department accomplishments stating Officer Turner and Officer Smartt deployed Stop Sticks to stop a pursuit coming from Tullahoma. Officer Stottlemeyer played in the "Rock & Jock" celebrity softball game at Horizon Park in Nashville. Black Rifle coffee company invited a police officer and firefighter to participate. This event supports fallen soldiers and first responder's family. Chief Floied discussed a meeting held at the department with the district attorney's office and staff from Unity Medical Center about appropriate ways each department handles patients with mental issues. This was the first meeting to cover this topic and some really good information was shared from different perspectives. Chief Floied stated this will aid in better understanding from each agency and hopefully produce better outcomes for the patients and agencies involved. Chief Floied stated Officer Sam Pennington graduated TLETA with high marks and is now in the FTO process. Chief Floied stated crossing guard Gary Zimmerman passed away unexpectedly. Mr. Zimmerman was a thirteen-year employee of the Manchester police department. Chief Floied stated the department currently has two crossing guard openings. A citizen complained about the traffic and danger of pulling out onto Interstate Drive across from Unity Hospital (specialists complex across the street). A caution sign with a light has been placed on Interstate Drive, however this citizen said they are too far away and not making an impact. A lengthy discussion ensued before the committee agreed to send this topic to the Street Committee. Chief Floied discussed the purchase of three new Durangos. One of the vehicles would go to Major West, and the other two would go to patrol. Alderman French made a motion to send the purchase to finance and the motion was seconded by Alderman Parsley. The purchase passed 3-0. Chief Floied discussed the purchase of cloud-based storage for digital evidence. The purchase of the cloud-based storage was discussed at a previous safety meeting and it was agreed to send the purchase to finance if the department had the money in their budget. The money for the cloud storage would come from the department's drug fund.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT: Being no other business to discuss, Alderman French made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Alderman Messick.


CHAIRMAN