



City of Carthage, Missouri

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

December 16, 2024 - 5:30 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

2. Old Business

1. Approval of 10/22/24 Minutes

Councilman Taylor made a motion to approve the 10/22/24 minutes as presented. Motion passes

3. Citizen Participation

(Each person addressing the Committee shall state their name and address or the organization or firm represented and is limited to no more than five (5) minutes. The time may be extended by the chair if deemed necessary. Once a person has had their say on a particular issue, they are not permitted to once again speak on the issue unless called to answer any further questions by the Committee or Chair)

1. Consider and discuss Carthage Police Officers Association - Shelby Howard
Shelby Howard spoke on behalf of the Carthage Police Officers Association. The majority of the Carthage Police officers employed by the City of Carthage, MO are requesting to be recognized as a bargaining unit in the Southwest Missouri Fraternal Order of Police Regional Ledge #27 and Carthage Police Officer Association to be their exclusive bargaining representative, and to bargain collectively with the FOP over their salary and other conditions of their employment. Further, a request for the bargaining unit to be recognized and made up of police officers from the rank of Lieutenant and below. 21 signature cards from the Carthage Police Office were submitted.
The administration will work to prepare a council bill to be presented at the next meeting of the Public Safety Committee.

4. New Business

1. Staff Reports

Fire Department

Intrim Chief Martin updated the committee on the radios that are being installed, replacing the AEDs, and outfitting the new vehicles.

Traci Cox requested to authorize the CFD to utilize ESU (the same company the CPD has used) for outfitting the new CFD vehicles. Councilman Taylor made a motion to authorize the CFD to use ESU. Motion passes

Police Department

Captain Chad Dininger gave the committee a staffing/station update.

Traci Cox requested that January and February meeting dates be moved due to them falling on city holidays. January meeting will be held on January 27, 2025 and February meeting will be held on February 24, 2025.

5. Adjournment

Councilman Taylor made a motion to adjourn