

**CITY OF NORWALK
HEALTH, WELFARE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
APRIL 27, 2017**

ATTENDANCE: Faye Bowman, Chair; Richard Bonenfant

OTHERS: Michelle DeLuca, Deputy Director, Emergency Management
Diane Cece

I. WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

Ms. Bowman called the meeting to order at 7:30PM. She stated that there is not a quorum but that she will open the meeting for public comment and informational purposes only.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

January, 2017
March 23, 2017

The approvals of minutes were tabled due to a lack of a quorum.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ms. Cece stated that at the last meeting the procedure for citizens filing anonymous complaints with police actions was discussed, and she had requested that the item be kept open as a discussion item because she did not feel there was a fair interpretation on the status of filing a civilian complaint form. She stated her concerns with the form and said that at the last meeting they had said that the form was being revised so that it was not as intimidating as it used to be for someone to look at it and file a complaint and nothing has been changed as of today. Ms. Bowman said that she will include it as a discussion item for the May meeting.

Ms. Cece stated that every few years the police go through the national accreditation program and as part of that process they allow citizens to make comments that are good, bad or indifferent. She said that it is always done in the police department and suggested that it be moved to a neutral location, so that it is not so intimidating and that it should be as comfortable as possible for the residents to have these interactions.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business discussed.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Authorize the Mayor, Harry W. Rilling, to execute a ninth amendment to the agreement between the City and Emergency Communications Network, LLC- Code Red, for the Code RED Emergency Notification System, Amendment will continue to provide an unlimited minute bank for the compensation amount of \$37,500 in FY 2017-18 and to authorize a contract renewal for fiscal year 2018/2019 for a sum not to exceed \$37,500.
Account: 60-5258.

Ms. DeLuca provided an overview of the service and said that this is a renewal of the contract, and the only change is that she is requesting that it get approved every two years rather than on a yearly basis. She said this is the tenth year with Code Red and that she is very happy with the service, and from January 2016 to March 2017, 307,000 minutes were used, which is why they do an unlimited service and there were 45 calls due to weather, police activity and call outs for the different teams, and 681,000 households were reached with all the different messages each time. Mr. Bonenfant suggested that the message be shorter.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Director of Social Services.

There was no discussion.
2. Food Truck Fee Comparisons and Suggested Changes.

There was no discussion.

V. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business discussed.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Dilene Byrd

Telesco Secretarial Services