

NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, November 10, 3:30 P.M. Meeting
County Council Conference Room

This meeting of the Public Safety Committee was also taped. The tape is incorporated herein by reference and is available by contacting the Legislative Aide to the Chair of the Public Safety Committee.

MINUTES

1. Call to order
 - Meeting commenced at approximately 3:37pm
 - Chairman Bell Recognized members of Council present:
Council President Paul Clark, Council members Joseph Reda, Robert Weiner, William Tansey, Penrose Hollins, Lisa Diller, William Powers, George Smiley, John Cartier, and David Tackett.
2. Adoption of October 13, 2009 Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes, motion to accept the minutes made by Councilman Smiley seconded by Councilman Tackett and unanimously accepted by Council.
3. Chairman Bell recognizes Emergency Medical Services Deputy Chief Richard Krett. Deputy Chief Krett provides a briefing on paramedic staffing levels, and also mentioned that New Castle County was recalling the nine trainees that were in school prior to cuts. Followed by question and answer session with members of Council. With Comments from the CAO Rick Gregory along with comments from EMS union representative Ken Dunn.
4. Chairman Bell recognizes Dave Roberts, Chief of Emergency Communications. Chief Roberts makes brief presentation on staffing levels; there are several vacancies five call operators, one fire dispatcher and one police dispatcher. New Castle County will receive federal funding for four positions through the JAG program until 2013 as per Laurie Kane, New Castle County grants specialist. Followed by question and answer session with members of Council.
5. Other: President Clark makes comment thanking the police department.
6. Motion to adjourn made at approximately 4:30pm by Councilman Smiley and Seconded by Councilman Reda. Council approves.