



KNIGHTDALE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

950 Steeple Square Court, Knightdale, North Carolina 27545

August 3, 2009

The Knightdale Public Safety Committee met at 6:10 p.m. at the Knightdale Town Hall, 950 Steeple Square Court, Knightdale, NC.

Present: Russell Killen, Mayor; Mike Chalk, Mayor Pro Tem; Councilors Jeff Eddins, Tim Poirier, James Robertson, Terrence Cleason

Staff Members Present: Shawn Brown, Public Safety Director; Tim Guffey, Fire Chief; Seth Lawless, Assistant Town Manager

Discussion of Barking Dog Ordinance

Mayor Killen stated he was unsure if the pending Animal Ordinance would benefit the Public Safety Department since it has a mandated time of thirty minutes of continuous barking. He does not like the idea of tying up an officer when there are more important task at hand.

Councilor Robinson stated officers would use common sense to choose priority on calls.

Chief Brown stated that the old ordinance does not have a specified time and is at the officers discretion. The new ordinance does give a specific time and also incorporates Civil Penalties, which are less that the County's Penalties.

Mayor Pro Tem Mike Chalk thought a warning for first time offenders and also a process for appeal needed to be added to the ordinance.

Councilor Robinson suggested creating a Committee to assist with the Animal Nuisance Ordinance.

All agreed that the ordinance was not ready to be put in place and would be a work in progress.


Mayor Pro Tem Mike Chalk suggested creating a Tethering of Animals Ordinance with a time frame similar to Raleigh's Ordinance.

Assistant Town Manager suggested that the Code Enforcement Officer should enforce that, and not the Public Safety Officers.

Mayor Russell Killen suggested working on the ordinance and creating a brochure to hand out to citizens to ensure they are made aware of the local ordinances.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm


Assistant Manager or Admin. Asst.


Committee Chairman