# Orting Public Safety Committee Meeting Multipurpose Center May 1st, 2018

**ATTENDANCE** John Kelly, Co-Chair/Councilmember

Greg Hogan, Co-Chair/Councilmember Mark Bethune, City Administrator Kristin Swanson, Police Clerk

Call to Order at 9:30 am

AGENDA ITEMS Approval of April 4th, 2018 Minutes

## **Abandoned Property Registration Program**

• The committee reviewed a draft proposal of an ordinance that would require properties in the foreclosure process to be registered with the City. In addition, the lender/responsible party would need to regularly inspect the property, ensure it's secured against unlawful entry and maintain the exterior of the property free from nuisance conditions. If adopted, the City would charge a "registration fee" as well as a civil monetary penalty for non-compliance. The committee requested this ordinance draft be forwarded to the next Study Council Session.

## **Advisory Vote on Fireworks**

• The committee discussed having an advisory vote on fireworks within the City. Advisory votes are non-binding and results don't change current law but rather provide guidance on how voters stand on a particular issue. The committee recommended that this item be addressed at the next Study Council Session.

#### **City Website**

• The City Administrator reported that the City is in the process of developing a new website. Each department is being asked to provide key items that would be beneficial to have on the new site. Public safety suggestions included crime maps, frequently asked questions and crime prevention tips.

#### Citizen Input

An audience member inquired about what the police department is doing to help combat opioid
overdoses. Chief Gard reported that all of the Orting officers are Narcan certified and carry it
with them at all times.

## **Agenda for Next Committee Meeting**

• Destruction of Forfeited Firearms

### Meeting Adjourned at 10:32 am