



# VILLAGE OF DOYLESTOWN

## SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** January 21, 2026

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Location:** Police Department

### 1. Officer Hiring

- Request motion to recommend hire of Andrew Priest to Council.
- Note: We also requested this be placed on the same evening's Council agenda for swearing-in.

### 2. Recruitment & Retention

- Discussion on making future hires easier and more appealing.

### 3. Streets & Traffic Engineering Coordination

- Discussion on how the Streets Department should engage the Safety Committee on traffic- and safety-related projects (e.g., paving, sidewalks, and other traffic-related improvements).
- Specifically, does the Committee prefer:
  1. That the Streets Department bring key items directly to the Safety Committee for review and recommendation; or
  2. That certain items require a joint Streets & Safety Committee review meeting?
- During the meeting, I also plan to confirm which of the Streets Department's 12 service areas should be included in this coordination process.

### 4. Emergency Preparedness Review

- The Police Department has an Emergency Disaster & Recovery Plan; however, we are not currently required by any oversight body to formally exercise it, and it is not exercised at this time.
- Does the Committee wish to receive a recurring preparedness report (monthly or otherwise) in addition to the annual report? If so, what information would you like included?
- Note: The intent is to establish an automatic reporting structure rather than ad-hoc department requests from the Committee.

### 5. Transition from Criminal to Civil Penalties

- There are approximately 370 penalty provisions in the Village Code.
- I have consulted with the Solicitor; preliminary guidance is to retain criminal (misdemeanor) penalties for matters involving health and safety, nuisance or hazardous property conditions, and repeat or willful violations.

- The Solicitor has also been asked:
  - How Council can most efficiently motion these changes in a consolidated manner; and
  - How best to minimize codification costs through American Legal.

**6. Enforcement Review Procedures**

- The Village Administrator's SOP now requires that any ordinance or code changes containing enforcement provisions be routed through the Safety Committee prior to Council consideration.

**7. No Parking Sign – Homan Road**

Chief, please advise whether a "No Parking" sign on Homan Road is needed