



Intercontinental Ballistic Missile Sub-Committee

Wednesday, August 30, 2023

Sub-Committee Members Present

Mayor Charles Smith, Janet Brotherton, Marjorie Gamel, Loise Haines, Mike Helfrich, Niki Pettit

Others Present

Tana Ward, Deputy Village Clerk

Sub-Committee Chairperson Haines opened the meeting at 6:34pm.

Public Participation

No public participation.

Sub-Committee Minutes

The July 31, 2023 Meeting Minutes were reviewed. Ms. Gamel made the motion to approve the Minutes as presented, Ms. Pettit seconded the motion, and the motion carried viva voce vote.

The July 20, 2023 Meetings were deferred until the next Sub-Committee meeting to be provided by Chairperson Haines.

Items for Discussion

The drone footage and missile photos acquired by Police Deputy Chief Justin Bouse were provided to the sub-committee members.

Mayor Smith provided an update from Melissa Shaw of the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. She stated that the Department of Defense is not liable for any expenses regarding the missile. She also shared that the Minuteman Missile was never meant to be on public display outdoors. Mayor Smith also spoke with David Lazarus, who is the Resurrection Manager of the museum. He shared that the missile is the last Minuteman Missile that is left erected, and that there are no replacement missile options. He also added that there are other aircraft options available, however they are not ideal.

Mayor Smith shared details from a 2020 internal conversation, along with estimations at that time for dismantling the missile. He added that he will meet with Congresswoman Robin Kelly on September 7, 2023 to see what options that she would have to help with the process.

Ms. Brotherton arrived at the meeting 6:01pm. The sub-committee provided a recap of the first half of the meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding dismantling the missile, and what estimated cost the Village would incur.

Ms. Gamel left the meeting at 6:34pm.

Discussion continued regarding dismantling the missile.

Ms. Haines will provide an update to the Village Board on September 5, 2023 regarding the current missile situation.

Adjournment

Chairperson Haines adjourned the meeting at 6:57pm.

Minutes prepared, submitted, and filed by Tana Ward, Deputy Village Clerk