

Honorable Council  
City of Newark, Ohio  
January 10, 2012

The Safety Committee met Monday, January 9, 2012, in council chambers following a meeting of the Service Committee with the listed members present:

Marc D. Guthrie, Chair  
Bill Cost Jr.  
Ryan T. Bubbs substituting for Jeff Rath

Carol A. Floyd

We wish to report:

1. There was a general discussion of texting while driving.

Police Chief Steven Sarver stated that "texting kills" and his disappointment in the Ohio Senate's lack of action on Ohio House Bill 99. There have been 5,000 deaths annually relating to texting while driving.

Lesa Best expressed concerns that more than texting should be looked at such as cell phone use.

This was a discussion only session with no action taken.

Marc D. Guthrie  
Chair