

## COMMITTEE MINUTES

### SAFETY COMMITTEE

April 05, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chief Buchert, Giles Seith, Paula Tubalkain, Mayor Clark and John Clark

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ben Prescott

OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Wilke

CALL TO ORDER: Giles Seith called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m. March 01, 2017 minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes by Paula, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John, all ayes, Giles abstained. Motion to excuse Ben from meeting by Giles, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paula all ayes.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Appropriation Status, Vendors, and SRO handed out. All reports on file

CITIZENS: None

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- ❖ **Diablo-** Chief thanked everyone for their support in the loss of Diablo. The services went well.
- ❖ **Security Camera** – Nothing new to report on Park & Water plant video, computer and camera repair. We have not moved forward yet, there is some talk of possible funding by the Congressman Office.
- ❖ **Phone System-** We have ordered the new phone system with new lines and equipment for PD, FD and Village lines. This will be split 50/50 with the FD and should save a few hundred dollars
- ❖ **Ordinance 2016-43** – Amendment for pay scale increases within the PD goes for 3<sup>rd</sup> reading at Council
- ❖ **9-1-1 Update** – Chief was contacted by 911 coordinator and advised that the county wide change was suppose to go live on 5-08-17, however, the Village of Mantua got left out of the service. They are currently working with us to get this issue resolved. We are still looking at the cost of \$19,500 per year for the next 5 years. ATT and Sheriff Dept. are working closely with Coordinator to make sure we will get the 911 calls. Once system is in we are told dispatchers will have to be EMD certified, training will be approx. 40 hours. We will talk with FD reference training.
- ❖ **2018 Budget** – We removed \$19,500 from Police Budget, we now need to put it back in for 2018. Also Training was reduced for 2018 and this will need to be increased to atleast \$3000. Paula will take to Finance and discuss. Once the State reimburses for the 20 hour required training we can carry some of that money for training.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- ❖ **Compass Packaging** – Chief was asked about a cross walk and signage from the employee door to the parking lot. Chief has no problems with this and has discussed with Bruce. Committee agreed, Bruce will move forward

**NEW BUSINESS CON'T...**

- ❖ **Potato Festival** – Committee for Potato Festival would like to move the festival onto High Street, therefore, closing the road during this time between north exits at the park and still use the north field for parking. Chief has concern with the Parade and where it will end at the where the traffic will go. Festival committee has not approached Council with a definite plan yet. Committee discussed and agreed they would like to work with Festival Committee and once a plan is approved it will come back to Safety and Service. Chief reminded that it will take Council Action to close the road.
- ❖ **K9 Replacement** – We are receiving donations to replace the K9. After talking with the school they have indicated that they do want a K9 back in the schools. The dog created a great bond with the school, students and community. Chief advised nothing will be done for the rest of this school year. Committee discussed and agree they would like to proceed with the SRO program as is with another K9. The decision will be made with the best interest of the Village first. He also feel this should not be just his decision, with a new Chief coming in.
- ❖ **Bob Reitz** – Bob has submitted his letter for retirement with 38 years of service to the Village of Mantua Police Department. His retirement date is June 10, 2017. Chief is asking, as previously discussed, to retire him as Sergeant and will ask at May Council meeting to promote him for June 9, 2017. Committee agreed and Chief will submit paperwork.
- ❖ **P/T Dispatcher** – We have hired a P/T dispatcher Zachary Bernstein. He has shadowed dispatch for approx.. 2 months unpaid. He turned 18 and was hired to continue training. He is doing very well and will be on his own soon.
- ❖ **Auxiliary Officer** – Katlin Osborn did not met her required hours for March, a letter will be sent.
- ❖ **Comments:** Giles advised he will not be here for the May 3 meeting.

**ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:** None

**ITEMS REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE:** 2018 Budget and Training Increases

**ITEMS REFERRED TO PARK COMMITTEE:** None

**ITEMS REFERRED TO SERVICE COMMITTEE:** None

**ITEMS TABLED:** None

**NEXT MEETING:** May 03, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNED:** Meeting adjourned at 6:35p.m. Motion to adjourn by Paula, 2nd by Ben, all ayes.