COMMITTEE MINUTES

SAFETY COMMITTEE MAY 31, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chief Buchert, Marty Hura, Giles Seith, Linda Schilling, and Mayor Linda Clark

MEMBERS ABSENT: Matt Roosa,

OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Wilke, Mike Jones, Paul Janson and Ben Prescott

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> Marty Hura called the meeting to order at 6:34 a.m. April 26 2012 minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes by Marty, 2nd by Giles, all ayes.

OLD BUSINESS:

- * Review overtime report and appropriation status reports. Overtime is down 17 hours from last year. Appropriation Status—May not included. May will be an expensive month due to 3 pay month. Vendor Report handed out.
- Guest Mike Jones introduced himself to Committee.
- ❖ Patrol Cars- Chief looked at the new Ford vehicle designed for Police, very impressive. Dealer wants Chief to bring it to the Village and try for a few days. Vehicle is 4 Wheel Drive and Rated higher than others in Consumer Report. Ford also is offering a 7yr or 125,000 mile warranty that could be beneficial. Committee discussed pros and cons. Service is excellent with Chevy at the current time. Chief will try to have a complete break down of cost by next Safety Meeting.
- ❖ K9- Information passed out on Training Facility Excel K-9 Service, Inc. The cost of the dog is \$8500.00. No cost to the Village for Ken for training.
- ❖ Capitol Improvement Plan- Any questions, concerns reference plan handed out in April meeting. Giles asked about rotation of weapons. Chief explained this is just an idea of what might have to be replaced.
- ❖ 2013 Budget- No questions or concerns with budget passed out in April Meeting.
- ❖ Geocaching- Mr. George Markusic was contacted- OK to put up container.
- ❖ MSFD Drug Drop Off- Great Success- no problems.
- Soap Box Derby- Set for June 16, 2012 is ready to go. All Information has been sent to Service Department and Fire Department for the event. Chief has received Car Show Insurance for the event along with Soap Box Derby.
- ❖ Ordinance for School Trespass- Sample Ordinance passed out and discussed. Chief would recommend the degree of offense be changed from the sample to a 3rd Degree Misdemeanor, which is less jail time than the suggested 1st degree. There is no state code so Village would have to pay for any jail time. Chief has contacted the Prosecutor Office and they are supportive of the Ordinance. This gives us authority within the schools. Committee discussed and agreed with degree change- Motion to forward to Council made by Linda and 2nd by Marty, vote taken all ayes.

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- ❖ Lieutenant Position Chief has discussed with Michele the outline for creating the position. Ordinance 2011-71 has to be amended along with the pay scale. Per the handbook once the position is created it will have to be posted for 7 days. Chief discussed with Committee the need for the position. It will be an auxiliary position- at will employee- 39- 391/2 hours per week- no benefits. Chief advised his budget can support the position. Motion for recommendation to Council was made by Linda and 2nd by Marty. Vote taken all ayes.
- ❖ Worker's Compensation Hearing for Judy Lisk on 6-7-12 in Akron. Committee advised to move forward in appeal.
- Chief and Michele have different interpretations on parking ordinances. Chief would like to address the entire parking ordinance with Committee along with different marking on Main Street at next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- ❖ Concern for parking on north side of High Street on the lawn in the ball field area. Chief suggested pulling cars in further to form a buffer zone between cars and road. If parking is eliminated cars then infringe on other property owners for parking. Committee discussed a crosswalk in the area possibly by the concession stand area. Crosswalk should not lead into other parked vehicles on south side of roadway. Event barrels have helped. Committee suggested to change signage on Event Barrel and add crosswalk. Forward to Service.
- Concern for the need of a crosswalk from Parks Committee and DMRC for people to get to the western trail safely. Committee discussed the possibility and should be forwarded to Service. Committee also suggested that ALL Crosswalks in the Village need to be done.
- Chief has been contacted regarding the Handicap Parking spot on East Prospect Street. Can it be moved from the west end of the street (In front of Hair Hut) to the west end (In front of Jakes). Committee discussed and agreed that the first spot in front of Jakes Restaurant should be the Handicap spot. Linda made Motion to move spot and relocate sign, Marty 2nd motion, all ayes. Correspondence to Anthony for sign removal and replacement.
- Marty spoke to Committee about bringing back Vending Machines at the park due to Lions Club not having concession stand at ball games. Committee discussed and agreed- Forward to Service.
- Chief has been contacted by James Clemens to return to Mantua Police Department as an Auxiliary Officer. Committee discussed.
- Compensatory Time- Chief discussed with Committee bringing back the Comp. time for employees that was taken away in 2010 Handbook. This would help alleviate overtime at last minute and would be very helpful within the Service Department. Committee discussed concerns on cap for how many hours employee can accumulate and how long the employee can hold it for. Chief will contact Michele and draft a few recommendations. Committee agreed to forward to Finance.

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ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL: School Ordinance, Lieutenant Position

ITEMS REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE: Compensatory Time

ITEMS REFERRED TO PARK COMMITTEE:

<u>ITEMS REFERRED TO SERVICE COMMITTEE:</u> Event Barrel signage changed and cross walk implemented in ball field area.- Crosswalks for western trail and all crosswalks in Village. Vending Machines at Park.

ITEMS TABLED: None

<u>NEXT MEETING:</u> JUNE 28, 2012 @ 6:30a.m.

ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m. Motion to adjourn by Linda, 2nd by Giles, all ayes.

Marty Hura, Chairperson

H.W. Buchert, Chief of Police