

**SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Tuesday December 9, 2025**

**Call to Order** at 6pm.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call** Dave Sluka, Marty Fergus, Steve Thorn

**Others Present** Denise Dilello, Chris Novotny, Mayor Tammy Meyer, Solicitor Bill Mason, Acting Chief James Clemens, Rodney Terry

**Minutes** Not available; postponed until January

**Chief's Report**

- Staffing: lots of interviewing happening, progress being made in ramping up staffing. Morale is improving. Dispatch training has started. Patrol training will soon be starting.
- Current goals include 90% staffing within 6 months, rebuilding a professional department.
- The Budget is in good shape; communicating regularly with the Fiscal Officer.

**Old Business:**

- Lexipol: Clemens suggests cancelling the subscription and doing policy maintenance ourselves in order to save money and maintain a more customized manual.
- Cameras: currently holding off making a decision until January.

**New Business:**

- Meet & greet with Rodney Terry, Mayor Meyer swore in Terry as a Lieutenant, who will be starting next Tuesday.

**Citizens:**

**Legislation:**

ORDINANCE 2025-46

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF MANTUA AND THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, PORTAGE PARKS, AND DOWNTOWN MANTUA REVITALIZATION CORPORATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Discussion followed.

ORDINANCE 2025-47

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF MANTUA TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF HIRAM TO OVERSEE THE OPERATIONS OF THE VILLAGE OF MANTUA POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Discussion followed. Motion from Sluka to move ord. 2025-47 to council, seconded by Fergus, all in favor.

**Next meeting:** January 13th at 6:00 pm.

**Adjournment:** Dave motioned to adjourn at 6:59pm, Steve seconded, all ayes.