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Safety Committee Meeting Minutes March 10, 2026 6:00 p.m.

Call to order 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Marty Fergus, Dave Sluka, Steve Thorn

Others Present: Mayor Tammy Meyer, Solicitor Bill Mason, Lieutenant Rodney Terry, Denise DiLellio joined the meeting late at 6:03 p.m.

Citizens Present: Jen Sobczak

Approval of Minutes: Approval of February 10th meeting minutes. Dave asked for a motion to approve. Steve made the motion to approve the February meeting minutes. Marty second. All ayes.

The Police Chief's report was presented by Lieutenant Rodney Terry. A resident raised a concern regarding the village leash ordinance and whether dogs must be supervised or leashed. The committee clarified that dogs are required to be leashed only when they are in heat. The committee discussed whether dogs should be required to be leashed unless they are on the owner's property and under control. After discussion, the committee determined that the current ordinance is not causing issues and agreed to leave the leash law unchanged.

The committee also discussed the potential for barking dogs to become more of a concern as the weather becomes warmer. Lieutenant Terry advised residents to contact the police department if barking becomes an issue so that officers can respond and address the situation.

Lieutenant Terry reported that two officers and two dispatchers have submitted resignations effective March 17th and March 18th. Despite these staffing changes, the Village does not anticipate a significant impact on road patrol coverage. The dispatch department expects improvements as several trainees complete their training.

The Village is currently reviewing bids for a dispatch contract. Formal requests were sent to three agencies, with the stipulation that they consider retaining some of the Village's current dispatchers. The department continues to provide dispatch services for Hiram at this time.

Additionally, one part-time officer may transition to a full-time position. The School Resource Officer (SRO) contract will remain in place for the next school year.

Adjournment 6:23 p.m.

- ❖ Dave asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve made the motion. Marty second. All ayes.