

VIDEO MEETING
COMMITTEE MINUTES

SAFETY COMMITTEE
April 07, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chief Urso, Ben Prescott, Marty Hura, Heather Paisley

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Michele Stuck, Village Solicitor, Mayor Clark , Tammy Meyer

CALL TO ORDER: Chief Urso called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m. March 03, 2021 minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes by Ben, 2nd by Heather all ayes.

ELECT CHAIRPERSON: Ben nominated Heather for Chairperson, Heather accepted. All Ayes

CHIEF's REPORT: Appropriation Status, Vendors, and SRO emailed. All reports on file.

CITIZENS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- ❖ **Harner Plumbing** – Installation of touch free equipment is complete
- ❖ **OCJS Grant** – Awarded 1 MDT on OCJS Grant- should be receiving the money in 2-3 weeks. Ptl Dunn has the paperwork finalized with necessary signatures.
- ❖ **Speed Limit** – High Street -Committee discussed and the concerned people were advised we do not set the speed limit

NEW BUSINESS:

- ❖ **Distracted Driving Ordinance** – ORD (331.45) Section D4 basically reads taking eyes off the road to pay attention to a mobile device, including reading entering or answering a text or phone number and manipulating the keyboard of the phone. Chief would like to Omit that section. We would like to make it so drivers cannot have their phone in their hand. There are enough handsfree devices in vehicles with Bluetooth and voice commands. By Omitting D4, D5 would then become D4. Committee discussed and supported this change. Chief ask for a motion to repeal subsection D4 of Distracted Driving Ordinance and renumber and recommend to Council. Heather made the Motion, Ben 2nd Motion, all ayes.
- ❖ **Traffic Enforcement** – We received an email about the Village labeled as a “Speed Trap” mainly on Main Street and concern how we are enforcing and where we pull the vehicle over at. Depending on where the infraction took place depends on where they stop. There is no perfect place and we don't want to follow them thru town at a high rate of speed. We are approximately at 18-20% of Cites compared to warnings from 2020. We will continue our enforcement especially with the increase of people in the business area.

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NEW BUSINESS CON'T:

- ❖ **Personnel Status** – We have interviewed and hired a new Part/Time Dispatcher, so you will be seeing a new face. One Auxiliary Officer has completed his training Chief would like to a motion to move John Fudella to part time status. Ben made motion, Heather 2nd, all ayes. Looking at the longevity of the department Chief would like to look at the process of hiring another full time officer. We discussed this a couple of years ago when the SRO officer was hired but held off. We will offer within the department first if no viable candidate we will look outside.
- ❖ **OCJS GRANT** – We are working on another grant for an MDT. Chief would like to take the money, approx.. \$3000, from the previous OCJS grant and apply it to the upcoming grant for the purchase. Ptl. Dunn is in the process of applying and suggested to move forward. The grant is 100% reimbursable. Motion made by Marty to send to Council, 2nd by Ben, all ayes.

COMMENTS/CONCERNS: Modification of Ordinance 331.45, OCJS Grant, Move Auxiliary Officer to Part Time Status

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL: None

ITEMS REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE: None

ITEMS REFERRED TO PARK COMMITTEE: None

ITEMS REFERRED TO SERVICE COMMITTEE: None

ITEMS TABLED: None

NEXT MEETING: May 05, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 6:19p.m. Motion to adjourn by Ben, 2nd by Marty, all ayes.