

COMMITTEE MINUTES

SAFETY COMMITTEE

July 07, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chief Urso, Ben Prescott, Heather Paisley, Tammy Meyer

MEMBERS ABSENT: Marty Hura, Motion to excuse Marty by Ben, 2nd by Heather all ayes

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Clark , John Clark, Jennifer Sobczak

CALL TO ORDER: Chief Urso called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m. June 02, 2021 minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes by Ben, 2nd by Heather all ayes.

CHIEF's REPORT: Appropriation Status, Vendors, and SRO provided.

CITIZENS: John Clark had questions about enforcement of the Engine Breaking Ordinance in the Village. Chief discussed and will observe the concerned area. Suggestions made to either enforce or do away with the Ordinance. Also concerns at West High & Prospect west bound on the hill. Trucks seem to travel fast up and down that area. Hazard pulling off Prospect onto High both east and west. Chief advised we are unable to change the speed limit.

OLD BUSINESS:

- ❖ **Dispatch Contract Update** – No further information or changes.
- ❖ **Sergeant's Position** – Chief will discuss in new business
- ❖ **Employee Status** – Hired 2 part time dispatchers in training, lost 1 dispatcher she did not come back after leave of absence. Looking at possibly another dispatcher and officer.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ❖ **Siren on Reservoir Drive** – Chief read the response from Chief Roosa to Committee. Advancing technology has outdated and made outdoor sirens inadequate. Technology has made it easier to receive alerts and warnings instantly and are far more superior than outdoor warning devices. Siren has been a maintenance nightmare from the beginning and has always had issues, batteries, electrical, radio, etc. I have no plans to fix or repair the Siren it is on my list to decommission and remove. Outdoor warning sirens are only meant for people outdoors. Mayor Clark wanted to update Chief on comments about the siren that it only needed batteries, and it was the Village responsibility not Fire Dept. Ben and Mayor Clark believe the Fire Dept. has an easement and it is their equipment.
- ❖ **Donation** – A resident made a \$100 donation to the Police Department with a statement "Thank You for All You Do", Chief would like a motion to send to Council to accept the donation as a gift. Ben made motion to send to Council, Tammy 2nd, all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS CON'T:

- ❖ **Sergeant's Position** –We held 4 interviews over 2 evenings with a panel of 3. Candidates were Paul Maroni, Marty Toukonen, Al Gilbert and Eric Dunn. All candidates were asked the same questions except each interviewer was able to ask one of their own questions. Chief decided to put 2 Sergeant's on for more flexibility. Eric Dunn and Al Gilbert were the two candidates that will be moving forward. All four candidates brought something special to the table. They will serve a six-month probationary period per the handbook.
- ❖ **Upgrade Car Video System** - The old system was not working properly and outdated running Windows XP. IT tech was in and transferring all videos from 2014 to present was started. We have upgraded to a 6 Terabyte hard drive that gives us plenty of room for advancement
- ❖ **LED Traffic Sign** – Chief discussed with Committee a Solar powered, movable LED traffic sign to help with speed control. There are several options that we can set to display different things and keep track of data. The capability to relocate with the purchase of additional brackets gives us the option to move it all over the Village. In the future we could provide reliable data for possible grants. This would be an eye catcher and help to slow people down. Estimated cost \$4000. Committee discussed and agreed especially with more pedestrian traffic in the Village and Main Street traffic when school starts. Chief added that approx. 10,000 vehicles are the Village a day, per the last survey. Chief will get further information and a quote and discuss with Council.

COMMENTS/CONCERNS: Chief advised Soap Box Derby, Rib Burn off went off well no issues. Village very busy and good to see people downtown

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL: Information on LED Sign/ Donation

ITEMS REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE: Pay Scale

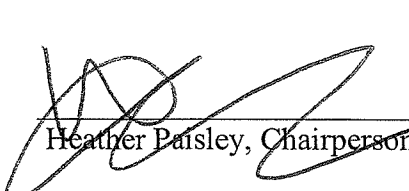
ITEMS REFERRED TO PARK COMMITTEE: None

ITEMS REFERRED TO SERVICE COMMITTEE: None

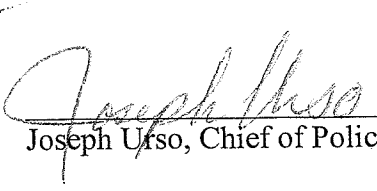
ITEMS TABLED: LED Sign

NEXT MEETING: August 04, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 6:25p.m. Motion to adjourn by Ben, 2nd by Heather, all ayes.



Heather Paisley, Chairperson



Joseph Urso, Chief of Police