

Committee of the Whole Public Safety Committee

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

7:00 a.m.

Village Conference Room

Attendance

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| Committee Members: | |
| Timothy Nugent, Mayor | X |
| Timothy Boyce, Trustee | X |
| Todd Crockett, Trustee | X |
| Diane Dole, Trustee | X |
| Joel Gesky, Trustee | X |
| Sam Martin, Trustee | X |
| Wendell Phillips, Trustee | X |
| Other attendees: | |
| Chris LaRocque, Village Administrator | X |
| Jim Hanley, Supt of Public Works | X |
| Al Swinford, Chief of Police | X |
| Ryan Marion, Building Official | X |
| Sarah Marion, Marketing Director (7:03A) | X |
| Sheila Martin, Treasurer | X |
| Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk | X |

Trustee Dole called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Trustee Dole, seconded by Trustee Boyce, to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2021 as presented; motion carried by voice vote. All ayes, no nays.

No Public Participation

Items for Discussion:

- **Significant Case Updates –**
 - There has been an increase in domestic violence calls this year in Kankakee County. Chief Swinford attended a meeting with States Attorney, Jim Rowe. Mr. Rowe stated that the second most prosecuted offense in Kankakee County is domestic violence. The County is developing a domestic violence task force. Each department who participates will provided a detective half a day each week to concentrate on high-risk domestics. Harbor House is applying for a grant to help with overtime and specialized training. There are similar task forces in northern Illinois. The County has provided \$5,000 from their ARPA funds. Kankakee City is also being asked for a similar donation. The task force will have seven (7) officers that would meet weekly. There have been four (4) domestic homicides in Kankakee County this year. Mayor Nugent stated that if money is needed, the village might be able to use our ARPA funds too.
 - Flock Cameras – Chief Swinford stated that the use of these cameras is getting popular. Data can be shared with all participating agencies. Bourbonnais just purchased ten cameras; the Sheriff's Department is installing ten and the City of Kankakee has also purchased 6-7 cameras. The village has 2 Flock cameras.
 - Chief Swinford stated that the department has a trail camera at Legacy Park. Permanent cameras will not be installed until the Concession Stand is built and Comcast runs internet to the building.

- **Camera Update** – Mr. Marion stated that St. Joseph’s Catholic Church will be installing cameras around their property and will allow the village/police department to have access. The project on Meadow Path/Spruce will start soon.
- **Personnel Update** – All three new officers (Nelson, Dokter, Sinadinos) will be graduating from the Illinois State Police Academy this Thursday. They start their FTO on Sunday. Officer Nelson’s FTO will be shorter as he has completed several weeks before he went to the academy. Officer Brandt, who did not need to attend the academy, has almost completed her FTO. Crossing Guards positions are fully staffed.
- **Solar Speed Signs** – After complaints about speeders on Brian & Kurt, the department ordered two speed signs. The department has received the signs and will work with the Public Works Department for installation. The signs are solar powered and wireless.

A motion by Trustee Dole and seconded by Mayor Nugent to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 a.m. Voice vote – all ayes.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk