

**Committee of the Whole  
Public Safety Committee**  
Wednesday, November 8, 2023  
7:00 a.m.  
Village Board Room

**Attendance**

<b>Committee Members:</b>	
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
<b>Other attendees:</b>	
Chris LaRocque, Village Administrator	X
Jim Hanley, Supt of Public Works	X
Al Swinford, Chief of Police	X
Ryan Marion, Building Official	
Sheila Martin, Treasurer	X
Jakob Knox, Community Relations Dir	
Robin Batka, Village Clerk	
Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk	X

Trustee Dole called the meeting to order at 7:34 a.m.

A motion was made by Trustee Crockett, seconded by Trustee Dole, to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2023, as presented; motion carried by voice vote. All ayes, no nays.

**Public Participation** - none

**Items for Discussion:**

- **New Explorer Purchase** – Chief Swinford stated the department generally purchases two new squad cars to replace older cars, however this year the vehicles have been very hard to get. Taylor Ford had some squads become available. Even if the village does not purchase these, some other municipality would purchase them. These are state bid prices. The 2018 SRO car and a 2018 Detective car would be taken out of service and traded in. Approval to purchase the vehicles will be placed on the next village board agenda.
- **Significant Case Updates** – Chief Swinford stated that there was an armed robbery at the Manteno Tobacco store on South Creek Drive last week. The incident is still under investigation. Video from various cameras shows the car driving through the village.

Chief Swinford stated that there is new software with Flock that allows for the regional sharing of video and information. Chief Swinford is investigating the cost and used by other agencies.

Chief Swinford stated that there was criminal damage to property at the Manteno Laundry. The subject was ID'd using the business's security camera footage. The person has mental health issues.

- **Monthly Stats** - See packet for details
- **Personnel Update** –
  - Zachary Boeringa is continuing at PTI, with graduation in December. Officer McCormick has almost completed his FTO.
- **Damage/Vandalism Recap** – A stop sign was hit, but the offender has been found and they have indicated that they will cover the cost of the damage.
- **Project Beloved** – Chief Swinford contacted this organization about setting up a soft interview room for victims that is different than the room that is used to interview criminal subjects. The non-profit organization was created by a mother whose daughter was kidnapped and murdered. The mother did not like being interviewed in the same room that her daughter's suspect was interviewed in. All the furniture was donated at no cost to the village and was set up by the organization.

A motion by Trustee Crockett and seconded by Trustee Dole to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 a.m. Voice vote – all ayes.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk*