

**Committee of the Whole
Public Safety Committee**
Wednesday, September 12, 2018
7:00 a.m.
Village Conference Room

Attendance

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	
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, Event Coordinator	
Janice Schulteis, Resource Mgr.	X
Sheila Martin, Treasurer	X
Geoff Aggen, Tyson Engineering	
Jacob Arseneau	X
Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk	X

Trustee Dole called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m.

A motion was made by Trustee Dole, seconded by Trustee Gesky, to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2018 meeting as written; motion carried by voice vote. All ayes, no nays.

Items for Discussion:

- **New Camera System/Body Cams** – The Police Department has received a grant of \$17,000 for body cameras. It can only be used for hardware not for storage of the video. Storage is the most expensive part of the system. The department purchased two in car cameras and 4 body cameras. The program is voluntary/trial period at this time for officers. They can chose to wear or not wear during their shift. Chief Swinford showed a sample of a call where one of the officers was wearing the body camera. Chief Swinford stated there is an expectation of privacy, so at some calls individuals will need to be notified that they are being recorded. Body camera storage must be maintained for 90 days. If there is a criminal case it must be maintained for two (2) year. In car storage is different time frame.
- **Personnel Updates** – Ptlm. Casey has had surgery and will be going for a follow up visit on 9/17/18. He is hoping to start therapy soon. The department has moved officers around to cover shifts while Ptlm. Casey is recovering.

- **Promotions** – Chief Swinford would like to recommend that Sgt. Lockwood be promoted to the Lieutenant’s position. He is the senior sergeant and has taken on the leadership role. Chief Swinford would like to also recommend that Ptlm. Prophet be promoted to Sergeant. He is recognized as a very experienced investigator and has more experience than all but one of the County investigators and all but one of the City of Kankakee investigators. This move allows for more structure in the investigations unit when another investigator is added. This structure is also good for the future of the department. Both officers are number one on their prospective lists for promotion. Both promotions are in the budget.

The committee approved the recommendations and asked that Chief Swinford move forward with the promotions.

Jacob Arseneau exited the meeting at 7:54 a.m.

Chief Swinford would like recommend that Gary Baughan, Animal Control Officer, receive an increase in pay to a total package of \$10,000 per year. This would include a reimbursement of his cell phone cost. A job description will be prepared with a maximum of hours to be worked (under 1000 per hr.). This position will not be an IMRF qualified position. The committee approved the recommendation.

Trustee Crockett and Trustee Gesky exited meeting at 7:57 a.m.

- **Misc.**
 - Work is continuing on the I-57 cameras to help with viewing license plates at night.
 - The outside camera on the Village Hall that points to the Rt. 50 & Third Street intersection is being updated to help with incidents at that intersection.
 - The Sheriff’s department, Railroad Police and the State Police will be available for assistance during Oktoberfest.
 - Golf Cart purchase – with the reassignment of monies from radios that will not need to be updated, the department would like to purchase a golf cart. This would be a great PR tool and Officer Tobeck could use it at the schools. Chief Swinford received two bids: Cart & Driver and Stevenson. The local dealer (Cart & Driver) is \$200 cheaper with a four year warranty. Approximate cost is \$8200. The recommendation to purchase the golf cart was approved.

A motion by Mayor Nugent 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