

Committee of the Whole Public Safety Committee

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

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, Marketing Director	
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 Crockett, seconded by Trustee Boyce, to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2022 as presented; motion carried by voice vote. All ayes, no nays.

No Public Participation

Items for Discussion:

- **Monthly Stats** – Chief Swinford presented the monthly stats (*see attached*).
- **Significant Case Updates** – Chief Swinford presented a body cam video concerning a resident that the police have had numerous incidents with. The video shows an officer trying to talk to the individual. The person was very irate and angry. A second video presented showed the same individual pointing a crossbow at the officers from his roof. Chief Swinford presented the videos to show the committee some of the mental health issues officers deal within our community. This person was put into a local treatment facility but is due to be released very soon. Chief Swinford stated that our officers are familiar with the individual, but other departments may not, and it could lead to the use of more lethal force if they come into contact with him outside of Manteno.

Chief Swinford presented the story that ABC Channel 7 did on our female officers staffing a shift by only females.

- **Vehicle Replacements** – Chief would like to replace the unmarked cars. There are three (3) cars, all are 2013s. This would be a state bid. Trustee Boyce stated that the cars can be ordered but cannot say when the cars would be received. The cost will be added to the FY 22-23 Budget.

- **Camera Updates** – Chief Swinford presented a video showing a vehicle rolling across Rt. 50 from Marie’s Kitchen and hitting a state sign. The camera view was from the village hall. The person responsible was not identified. The Public Works Department fixed the sign. Chief Swinford presented a second video showing a man and woman arguing on the sidewalk. The man gets in his truck and backs up over the curb and over one of our trees in the parkway. The individual was identified and will make restitution. The use of cameras is very useful.
- **Bar Fights/Littering** – Chief Swinford presented a video showing a bar fight on Main Street. The department has spoken to the bars about the situation. They are cooperating. 911 was called, there were no arrests. Mayor Nugent stated that the bars need to remember that their liquor license could be in jeopardy if the incidents continue. The bars need to have plans in place to control the crowds. Mayor Nugent is also concerned about the littering on the sidewalks after the weekend. The bar personnel should at least attempt to sweep or blow some of the debris away. Chief Swinford will remind the bars.
- **SATF 2nd Position** – Chief Swinford stated that the Stolen Auto Task Force has offered the department a 2nd position that would be stationed in Will County. The grant is a 100% grant. The position has been open for 2 years. Chief Swinford will check to see if there is an interest from our department and if there is a good candidate on the list to hire; if there is he will continue the process. Trustee Dole stated it was a good idea to pursue when you have a 100% grant.
- **PD Facility** – The item will be discussed at the Finance Committee meeting, which immediately follows this meeting.

A motion by Mayor Nugent and seconded by Trustee Dole to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 a.m. Voice vote – all ayes.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk