

Committee of the Whole Public Safety Committee

Wednesday, May 11, 2022

7:00 a.m.

Village Conference Room

Attendance

Committee Members:	
Timothy Nugent, Mayor	X
Timothy Boyce, Trustee	
Todd Crockett, Trustee (7:02 am)	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	
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 Gesky, seconded by Trustee Dole, to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2022 as presented; motion carried by voice vote. All ayes, no nays.

No Public Participation

Items for Discussion:

- **Significant Case Update** –
 - Chief Swinford stated that investigations are working on a couple of sexual assault cases. One involves a child.
 - The department assisted Kankakee County Sheriff's Department with a car chase that involved a stolen car from Indian Oaks Academy. The suspects bailed out of the car resulting in a foot chase and one of our officers getting injured after jumping a fence.
 - There was a fight at Rt. 50 North, charges have been filed against several individuals.
- **Monthly Stats** – Chief Swinford presented the monthly stats for April 2022. (*see attached*).
- **PD Facility Update** – Mr. LaRocque stated that Harbour Construction is willing to let the village out of the contract to remodel the current police department. With the purchase of the building at 110 Marquette Place South, the village will have to go out for bid for that project, Harbour Construction cannot move the contract over to the new building. Mr. LaRocque will get a list of items that were already purchased for the current building remodel. Harbour has offered a design build service. They could be hired to design the remodel and then set estimate amounts for each facet of the build. They then would find sub-contractors to do the work within the estimated numbers. The Village Attorney stated that we can waive the bidding process and hire Harbour to design the project. Carlile Architects have reached out and would also like to design the

project. The design work does not require to be bid. Mr. LaRocque stated that the village could ask for an RFP for the design of the build from Harbour and Carlile. Mr. LaRocque asked the committee about which option would the village like to use to continue the process, either design/build or design/bid.

Mr. Marion stated that any type of commercial property needs architectural stamped drawings as required by state law. It was suggested to use the current ideas from the current building and have Harbour and Carlile give a design for a fixed fee. The budget for the remodel will be \$1.5 million.

- **Therapy Dog Program** – Chief Swinford attended the Illinois Police Chief’s Conference last week. One session he attended was a therapy dog program. Chief Swinford stated the concentration of the department on mental health calls and also the mental health of officers has been increasing over the last few years. Manteno’s Police Department is a leader in the area due to the Peer Support Team within the department guided by Sgt. Berns. There is a successful CIT Team that will follow up with mental health calls and families that are affected. Chief Swinford showed a short TV report from FOX News concerning a therapy dog program in the Buffalo Grove Police Department. The program is Paws and Stripes from Florida. They train the dogs and then place them with various first responder departments. Chief stated that there is no initial expense, just the on-going costs. The School District has several dogs that are used. It was suggested that the department contact the school about their program. Chief will put a hold on the idea but will continue to collect information.
- **Damage/Vandalism Recap** - Chief Swinford presented the updated spreadsheet that lists the vandalism that has taken place throughout the village this year. The recap gives the amount of damage and whether the subject(s) have been ID and if restitution has been completed.
- **Misc.** –
 - Jumping Pillow, Fountain at Square & Splash Pad in Legacy Park will be opened earlier than usual due to warm weather. The Park Rangers will be instructed to look for any damage on a daily basis.
 - COVID pay – will follow the state law

A motion by Mayor Nugent and seconded by Trustee Martin to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 a.m. Voice vote – all ayes.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk