

# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING MINUTES

July 26, 2017

## Attendance

Tim Nugent, Village President	X
Tim Boyce, Trustee	X
Todd Crockett, Trustee	
Diane Dole, Chairman	X
Joel Gesky, Trustee	
Samuel Martin, Trustee	
Wendell Phillips, Trustee	X
Chris LaRocque, Village Admin	X
Al Swinford, Chief of Police	X
Ryan Marion, Building Dept.	X
Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk	X

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Dole at 7:00 a.m.

With the retirement of Lt. Whalen, there were no minutes to be found from the April 26, 2017 meeting.

There was no public participation.

There were no action items.

Chief Swinford presented the YTD police statistics. There have been 162 individuals arrested and taken to the jail so far this year. Chief Swinford stated a new law that will be in effect as of 1/1/2018 will change the requirements on who is detained at the jail. Certain offenses will now be given a bond. Misdemeanor or Class IV felony charges will no longer be detained.

## Discussion Items:

- Ordinance Issues - Chief Swinford presented a letter that was received concerning the village's Nuisance ordinance. Chief Swinford will contact Village Attorney, Joe Cainkar, to review our ordinance to see if we violate Public Act 99-441 and to make changes accordingly. Chief Swinford would like to add an ordinance to allow officers the option to give a village ordinance violation ticket for shoplifting. Chief Swinford will check with the Village Attorney.
- I-57 Update – There has been no movement with the state. Mr. LaRocque will use his contact at the state for guidance. Mr. Hanley will also use his contact at the state to see if the village is talking to the right department. Equipment has been purchased, but cannot be installed until given permission by the state.
- Surplus Radios – Chief Swinford would like to surplus some radios that have various issues. The item will be put on the 8/7/17 village board meeting. After the approval, the radios will be listed on e-bay.

- Squad Car update – Chief Swinford stated that most of the 2013 models have high mileage and he would like to start the process to replace the 3 highest ones. The transmission problems with the 11F2 have been repaired. High Performance Oil would like to supply the oil for the village squad cars. The oil would only need to be changed every 15,000 miles instead of the usual 5000 miles. This could be a savings for the village.
- Golf Cart Registration – There are 75 carts that have not registered that were registered last year. It was suggested that if an officer sees a cart with no registration, that the owner be given a warning.
- Lateral Entry – There is no update from the Police Commission at this time.
- Significant Case Updater
  - Village had a heroin overdose at 138 Maple Lane
  - Two of the three subjects that burglarized the gun shop have been identified and charged. They will be federal charges.
  - The suspect for the Shell robbery has been identified, but the case has not gone before the grand jury at this time.
  - Female charged with sexual exploitation
  - Village had a string of car burglaries on 7/15 & 7/16. Other jurisdictions were also targeted
- Heroin Procedure update – The synthetic version of heroin (fentanyl) can be very dangerous to any officer who may come into contact with it on their skin. Officers will not field test any potential substance. Only Det. Prophet will do the testing at the department.
- Squad Cars at Banks – Chief Swinford would like to stop the practice. If there are rumors of any bank robberies, the parking will begin again.

Trustee Phillips and Mayor Nugent exited the meeting at 7:43 am.

- Grants – The department has applied for a COPS grant, a vest replacement grant and a grant concerning human trafficking
- Oak Street Parking – The department would like to eliminate parking on the west side of Oak Street north of Division. Mr. LaRocque will contact the village attorney about the procedure required to eliminate the parking.
- First Street parking at alley – With the increase of traffic on First Street due to the Second Street project, the department would like to have the first two spots on the north side of First Street just west of the alley to be posted as compact cars only.
- Bassett Training – New state law requires all establishments to have Bassett Training. The state liquor commission will be doing spot checks.

- Class A Uniform – Chief Swinford would like to offer to split the cost of the Class A uniform with officers. The officer would be asked to fore go a uniform allowance check for their part of the costs. This will not be mandatory.
- Personnel update – The two newest officers are doing well. Sgt. Lockwood hopes to be back in the next few weeks. Ptlm. Rebus is still out on worker’s compensation. Sgt. Berns and Sgt. Skelly are doing the social media presence for the department.
- The FOP Contract will be going to the officers next week for ratification.

Motion by Trustee Dole, second by Trustee Boyce to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 a.m.

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