

Committee of the Whole Public Safety Committee

Wednesday, July 14, 2021

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 Dole, seconded by Trustee Boyce, to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2021 as presented; motion carried by voice vote. All ayes, no nays.

No Public Participation

Items for Discussion:

- **Camera System Update** – Chief Swinford stated that again the camera systems have been valuable with solving crime. There are a few areas that cameras need to be added. One area is on South Main Street. Someone cut the flowers that were in the village flower pots. The camera at Division and Main could not see down the street very far. Mr. Marion stated that he has a meeting with St. Joseph Catholic Church to discuss security cameras. Mr. Marion stated that he is talking to Spa Remedy also about security cameras.
- **Drone Purchase** – The drone has been used twice so far. Officer Ritter will be available at the end of the meeting to demonstrate the drone. Officer Ritter is the only officer at this time who is certified to fly the drone.
- **Task Force Updates** –
 - Stolen Auto Task Force – Chief Swinford had been informed earlier this month that Joliet, who administers the grant, was going to pull out of the task force. Lt. Lockwood attended a meeting concerning this. A presentation was given to the Joliet City Council concerning the Task Force. There was no support from the Joliet City Council to pull out of the task force. Chief Swinford will move forward to replace our officer who is in the task force with a new hire.

- FBI – Chief Swinford had a meeting with FBI. They are fazing out the part-time position that Officer Reynolds is assigned to. They would like to have him full-time which means one day a week in their office; he is supplied a vehicle and over-time is reimbursed. Chief Swinford stated that the MOU may need to be modified.

All three new hires will be attending the State Police Academy beginning in August.

- **Significant Case Update** – Chief Swinford played the 911 call for the homicide that happened in the village. Even though arrests were completed, investigations are continuing for evidence. Chief Swinford commended Det. Reynolds, Officer Tobeck, Officer Nelson and Officer West on their work in the case.

A motion by Trustee Boyce and seconded by Trustee Dole to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 a.m. Voice vote – all ayes.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk