

Committee of the Whole

Public Safety Committee

Wednesday, May 9, 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	X
Janice Schulteis, Resource Mgr.	
Sheila Martin, Treasurer	X
Geoff Aggen, Tyson Engineering	
Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk	X

Trustee Dole called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Mayor Nugent, seconded by Trustee Boyce, to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2018 meeting as written; motion carried by voice vote. All ayes, no nays.

There was no Public Participation

Items for Discussion:

- **Camera Grant** – The Village has received confirmation that the Police Department received a \$17,050.00 grant from the State of Illinois that can be used for body cameras or in-car cameras. Chief Swinford is looking at options. The money cannot be used for the storage of video from cameras. A department policy concerning body cameras can be obtained through our participation with Lexipol. The department has until June to identify how the money will be used.
- **Handicap Parking** – The department has obtained a few complaints concerning cars and golf carts parking in the stripped part of the handicap parking area. This is illegal, as the area is considered part of the loading zone for handicap parking. A few warning tickets have been issued. A public information review will be put on Facebook concerning handicap parking. Chief Swinford is reviewing the state statues, ADA, village ordinance and village signage to make sure all areas are being covered correctly. Golf carts are treated as a vehicle and if they have a handicap placard then the carts can park in the handicap parking spot just like a vehicle. The law is specific and detailed on handicap parking.
- **N. Sycamore Golf Cart Crossing** – Chief Swinford stated that owners of golf carts from Rock Creek Estates have been spotted in town and there is no legal way for them to get into town. Mr. Marion stated that

there is a street that runs north of Maple Valley called Hamilton Drive with a gate across the end. A sidewalk has been installed from the end of the street over to Sycamore and then parallels Sycamore until it is even with Rock Creek Estates. It is possible that some golf carts are traveling on that sidewalk to get to Hamilton Drive or it is also possible that some carts are traveling on Sycamore then to Third Street. Mr. Marion spoke to Mr. Jerry Curwick, who owns the field that is being crossed and he has no problems if asphalt grindings are put down to create a path to Hamilton Drive. It was suggested to add a few more posts and bring the fence around that would allow a golf cart through, but not a vehicle. The situation will be monitored. The Village will obtain an agreement with the property owners to allow the asphalt grindings or expansion of the fencing.

- **Personnel Updates** – A pension hearing will be held on May 29, 2018 for John Rebus.
- **No Outlet Sign on Janeese Court** – Trustee Dole is requesting a sign that would identify the street as not having an outlet.
- **Lt. Position** – Chief Swinford stated that he has had no further conversation since last meeting. The Police Commission is going through the testing process for the lateral entry hire, so until that procedure moves, the Lieutenant’s position will not move forward. Chief Swinford has met with the other Chiefs of Police in Kankakee and the idea of group testing for new hires has been discussed. This would stream line the process and save each department money.
- **Misc. -**
 - Received a request from a family member for information concerning a 1964 homicide on Adams Street. Research will be completed for any documents or information.

A motion by Trustee Dole and seconded by Mayor Nugent, to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 a.m. Voice vote – all ayes.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk