

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
PUBLIC SAFETY
MEETING MINUTES
November 22, 2017**

Attendance

Tim Nugent, Village President	x
Tim Boyce, Trustee	X
Todd Crockett, Trustee (7:02 am)	x
Diane Dole, Chairman	
Joel Gesky, Trustee	
Samuel Martin, Trustee	
Wendell Phillips, Trustee	X
Chris LaRocque, Village Admin	X
Al Swinford, Chief of Police	x
Jim Hanley, Supt.of Public Works	X
Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk	X

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nugent at 7:00 a.m.

There was not a quorum to approve the minutes.

There was no public participation.

There were no action items.

Trustee Crockett entered the meeting at 7:02 am.

Discussion Items:

- School Resource Officers (SRO) – Village officials met with representatives from the school district concerning a SRO officer. Previously the school had an SRO under a grant but those grants do not exist anymore. The school would like the village to consider a 50/50 split on costs. The Village would put a veteran officer in the school and would then hire a new officer to replace that position. The cost of a veteran officer would be approximately \$50,000. The Village would like a three year commitment from the school district. This would be for next fiscal budget. The school district would be billed on a quarterly district.

Chief Swinford stated that the situation is a win/win for both the department and the school district. The officer would be available at all schools, but more time would probably be at the high school. In the summertime, the officer would be used in the investigations department or on the road.

Jake Emerson, Business Officer with the school district will take the idea back to the school board. The idea will move forward for the Village’s FY 18-19 Budget.

Mayor Nugent asked that Mr. LaRocque speak to the Village Attorney about an Intergovernmental Agreement concerning the SRO.

The school district is also willing to cooperate with the lightning detection system. The main prediction unit would be at the high school and they will provide the electricity. The village would buy our own auxiliary units for each park. All parks and school functions would have the same warnings.

- Class A Uniforms Update – All officers are participating. Officers agreed to forego one of their uniform allowance checks to help pay for the costs.
- I-57 Cameras – The cameras are installed, still waiting on ComEd for electricity so a demonstration cannot be given yet. Once the cameras are operational a decision will be made on signage.

MOTION: A motion by Phillips, seconded by Boyce, to approve the minutes from August 30, 2017. Motion approved 4-0. Yeas: Phillips, Boyce, Crockett and Nugent. No Nays.

- Stats – Chief Swinford presented a handout showing the current year to date statistics for the department. Chief was surprised on how busy the officers are. A hot spot map can be developed in the department computer system to view where officers are spending a large amount of time.
- Misc:
 - A leave of absence has been approved for Officer Rebus so he can use his benefit time. He has applied for his pension benefits, but it can be a lengthy process.
 - Sgt. Berns has been asked to analyze the department vehicles
 - Sgt. Lockwood has been asked to analyze overtime.
 - Assistance to county has decreased. There have been quarterly meetings with Indian Oak officials to help alleviate their calls.
 - Promotions – There is still a Lt's. position open. Discussions will continue.
 - A meeting will be set-up to discuss the Senior Police Academy.

Motion by Mayor Nugent, second by Trustee Crockett to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk