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PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

(Trout/Blaies/Meehling/Pruett)

Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR
Tony Funderburg

VILLAGE TREASURER
Bryan A. Vogel

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
John Tolan

POLICE CHIEF
Stanley Donald

VILLAGE ATTORNEY
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Chairman Matt Trout called the meeting of the Personnel and Public Safety Committee to order on Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at 6:47 p.m. Those present were Chairman Matt Trout, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Trustee Dean Pruett, Mayor Seth Speiser, Trustee Denise Albers, Trustee Ray Matchett, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Chief Stan Donald, Public Works Director John Tolan, Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Office Manager Julie Polson. Guests present: Janet Baechle and Stan Koerber.

POLICE:

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Review of Fees for False Alarms: Chief Donald advised we have one business in particular that has at least six false alarms per year. He would like to increase the fees to \$100/\$250 then whatever after that. Currently, our fines start at \$10, then \$25. Normally, it's the people involved that cause the false alarm. Trustee Trout agreed the fines are not adequate. Trustee Meehling asked if this would apply to residents as well, and Chief Donald replied yes. You will not be fined until you reach six alarms. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg will work on it. Once the fines have been set, we will try and get something in the newsletter.
2. Expansion of Outdoor Tornado Siren System to SAVE Site: Administrator Funderburg advised the siren has been ordered. Item can be taken off the agenda.
3. Police Canine: Chief Donald reported Diggitt has not been spayed because the vet can't guarantee it won't affect her performance. He advised there are not that many female canine dogs trained in aggression. Chief Donald confirmed that Officer Boeving does not let the two dogs out at the same time. He is the only one that takes them out, and if he is out of town, one is taken somewhere. When Diggitt retires, Joel would get her. Chief Donald said that Duke's a lemon. He was evaluated by the state canine police program officer who advised Duke is not fit for police duty. Chief believes we should offer him back to the guy who paid for him, and if he doesn't want him, we can give him to Brian Dowdy. With respect to a new dog, Chief Donald had a visit from a lady who is managing a trust fund where our canine program was designated to receive \$40,000 to spend on everything associated with the canine program including a dog, training, car, etc., but not food or vet bills. The only stipulation was that we have to pick a name of the list they provide. The money should be ready sometime in June. Whenever we need something, Chief Donald just has to call her and say what we need. Chief reported he found a program in Arkansas where they fully train a dog. We would send Joel for 2 weeks, which includes room and board, at a cost of \$10,000. We are waiting on a letter from the lady's trust attorney so we have that documentation. Trustee Trout said with the fundraiser, we will focus on raising money to help with officer safety, education and better technology.

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VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE FIRST AND THIRD MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH



B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. New Patrol Car: Chief Donald advised we have one patrol car in bad shape. Administrator Funderburg confirmed we have budgeted for a new patrol car. We will try to sell Officer Flake's car on I bid. Tony confirmed we have money in the budget. This will keep us on schedule.

Trustee Dean Pruett motioned to recommend to the full Board the purchase of a 2017 AWD Ford Utility Police Interceptor at a cost of \$33,255 and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

Chief Donald stated from Officer Ruhmann's traffic stop where we seized the Toyota SUV, the State's Attorney negotiated a deal with the guy and a \$6,500 fine was paid to us. That money allowed the Chief to buy a blood borne pathogen kit for every car, stop sticks, spotlights for traffic stops that are much brighter than old ones and a tablet. He does not have an update on the seized Avalanche other than that guy was arrested for DUI again over the weekend. Chief Donald left at 7:14 p.m.

PERSONNEL:

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of April 27, 2016 Minutes: *Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to approve the April 27, 2016 Minutes and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*
2. Health Insurance Option to Switch to Spouse's Plan: Administrator Funderburg advised the proposed ordinance was emailed out to everyone this afternoon. It has not been approved by Attorney Manion. Please review to see if it is close to what you want.

We received around 20 applications for the lineman position. Administrator Funderburg said they have narrowed them down to four and will interview soon. Public Works Director John Tolan will not be a part of the interview process John's son applied. Trustee Blaies asked how Scott is doing, and John replied very well. He said our two part-time employees are working out very well.

B. NEW BUSINESS: None.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: Trustee Trout said any help with the golf tournament would be greatly appreciated.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Janet asked if we are going to purchase any additional tornado sirens, and Trustee Trout said Gene Kramer is looking for grants. She also asked if the police department has adequate protective gear, and Administrator Funderburg advised they do. Some of the officers also have some of their own gear.

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Dean Pruett motioned to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. and Trustee Lisa Meehling seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson
Office Manager