

VILLAGE OF PORT EDWARDS
Port Edwards, Wisconsin

COMMITTEE: Public Safety

DATE: 1 June 2021

TO: JOSEPH ZURFLUH

cc: BETSY MANCL
DANA DUNCAN
JOHN BINGHAM
DIANE TREMMEL

ERIK SAYLOR
SUE MITCHELL
TIARA GRUNDEN
SCOTT DREW

TIM LEVERANCE
DAILY TRIBUNE
WFHR/WGLX
NICK ABTS

Purpose of Meeting: **Regular Monthly Meeting**

Attendance: Erik Saylor, Tiara Grunden, Betsy Mancl, Administrator Ray "Boz" Bossert, Chief Scott Drew, Interim Chief Tim Leverance, Ast. Chief Craig Kester, Scott Stewart

Citizens: Karen Madden

Subjects Discussed, Action Taken, and Board Action Required:

1. ***Call to order:*** Meeting called to order by E. Saylor- Chairman at 5 p.m.
2. ***Roll Call:*** All Present.
3. ***Approve the agenda:*** **MOTION**, (*Saylor/ 2nd Grunden*) approved all Ayes
4. ***Approve the previous months minutes and Agenda:*** **MOTION** (Grunden/Mancl) to approve minutes of the 29 April 2021 meeting and the agenda. Motion carried.
5. ***Public comments on agenda items:*** None
6. ***Committee Chairman's comments:*** Erik Saylor made mention of Chief Patrick Arendt's resignation letter, Erik also wanted to thank Patrick for 33 years of service, that is a lot of time, He wishes Patrick well on his retirement and to enjoy himself.
7. ***Discuss/action Fire Department Actions and Budget:***
Reviewed monthly report and budget comparison for the Fire Department.
 - a. A. discussion on pool filling costs, Minimum charge of \$50 to fill pools, that would cover the cost of the water. Also deciding a charge on fee of getting the trucks out and for personnel costs. Mancl suggested having different charges for different size pools, that way it is fair. More discussion will be had between Interim fire chief and Administrator Bossert. A liability waiver will need to be signed by the homeowner.
 - b. Officers concerns with Qualifications and Hiring process (PFC): Chairman Saylor wanted this to be brought up so that everyone is on the same page for the process and qualifications. Chairman Stewart laid out the PFC's plan on how to move forward with this, in a somewhat similar fashion to how the police chief hiring process was, including: background checks, character interviews of neighbors, previous employers etc.

c. Plans for Rescue & Brush truck replacements in the future: This is being brought up so we can plan on replacing these vehicles, both are at least 10 year old, Rescue truck is showing some rust and having more mechanical issues. More to come with this around budget time

8. *Discuss/action Police Department Actions and Budget:*

Chief Drew is keeping overtime hours to a minimum, making sure his budget for salaries is well within the range for this time of year, knowing that more time might be needed over the summer months.

a. Discussed Use of Force Rules in the village. These have been updated with Lexipol to be in compliance with State & Federal recommendations. The Police Department has also received a certification on safe policing for the community.

9. *Old Business.*

- Covering the crosswalk at HWY 54 and Port Road- the Village will continue to work with County on possibility of a crossing

-Port Road enforcement update- We have 2-3 trucks per month and are enforcing the rules.

10. *New Business:* Administrator Bossert gave an update on the new jail being proposed in Wood County, voting on this will be concluded by our next meeting. Recommendation to put a fact sheet out to the residents so they can contact their local representative and give their thoughts.

11. *Correspondence Received:* Chief Arendt retirement letter

12. *Future Agenda Items:*

13. *Next meeting date:* July 6, 2021 @ 4pm

14. *Adjourn:* Adjourned at 5:55 pm. (*Saylor/2nd Mancl*) *all Ayes*

Erik Saylor – Chairman