

# VILLAGE OF PORT EDWARDS

Port Edwards, Wisconsin

COMMITTEE: Public Safety Meeting

DATE: May 3, 2022

TO: JOSEPH ZURFLUH

cc: BETSY MANCL                      ERIK SAYLOR                      RAYMOND BOSSERT  
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CALEB MCGREGOR

Purpose of Meeting: **Regular Monthly Meeting**

**Attendance:** R. Bossert, J. Zurfluh, S. Mitchell, T. Grunden, C. McGregor, Police Chief Drew, Fire Chief Worden, Police Officer Brandon Abbott

**Citizens:** Kelley Nagorski, Scott Stewart

**Subjects Discussed, Action Taken & Board Action Required:**

**Regular Monthly Meeting**

- **Call to order:** Meeting called to order by Mitchell - Chairman at 4:00 p.m.
- **Roll Call:** All present from above.
- **Approve the previous month's agenda:** **MOTION** (Grunden/McGregor) to approve agenda. **Motion carried.**
- **Approve the previous month's minutes:** **MOTION** (Mitchell/McGregor) to approve minutes from 5 April 2022
- **Public comments on agenda items:** None.
- **Committee Chairman's comments:**
- **Public Safety Updates**

**Fire Department**

- a. **Review monthly & budget comparison reports.** Responding calls are doubled from last year. Purchased new equipment: thermal imaging camera & new radios. Public Works Supervisor Ben Martinson fixed minor issues on firetrucks. Engine 1 still awaiting back-ordered parts, engine 2 has loose wire, & engine 3 has some rust bubbling through paint. Pump operator class has ended with 10 firefighters participating. Three firefighters went through RIT (Rapid Intervention Team) training. Responders have been called twice for lift assist, if this becomes more

common, will need to discuss being compensated for time. Fire Chief presented a video he shot at the fire station & discussed what each vehicle does for the new members of the committee. Also went through a six-month rundown of the issues of the department since he became Chief.

### **Police Department**

**a. Review monthly & budget comparison reports.** Working with Public Works to issue ordinance violations. 20 letters have been sent out, & 4 were ticketed for noncompliance. Drug takeback last weekend was an overwhelming success, with almost 25lbs of drugs taken in. Health Department is offering reimbursement for our officers' time. Police Chief attended Mid-State Technical College to help interview potential interns & was offered one. Squad 1 tires & brakes were replaced. Radar unit was sent in for repair. Squad 2 has minor damage from hailstorm 12th April, still functional. Inquire if insurance would cover costs (\$1,200) to replace. Enforcement is up due to warmer weather, & payroll & budget are on track.

- ***New Business.***

**a. Discussion on regulating golf carts, electric bikes & updates to ordinance.** Ebikes are allowed on bike trails, will implement speed limits on our trails of 10 mph, & add stop signs. Ebike will fall under bike ordinance, registration is required. Golf carts will have limits on what roads they can drive on, registration required & not allowed to drive after 10 p.m.

- ***Old Business.***

**a. Discuss the Bike Rodeo Concept for this Spring (Elementary school) 21 May 2022.**

**i. Manning.** Bike rodeo will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the fire station with 12 students manning four stations. Available for children K-5, must wear helmets & closed-toed shoes in order to participate. Each eligible child who registers will be entered in a drawing for a new bike. Marshfield Clinic donated 10 helmets to give to children at the rodeo.

**ii. Tasks.** Will require adult supervision. Registration fee is \$5 to cover services provided: photo & engraving on bike. Will advertise on Facebook & the village website.

**b. Discuss the establishment of the Public Safety Club at the High school to begin in Spring 2022.**

**i. Manning.**

**ii. Marketing.**

**iii. Monthly agendas.**

**iv. Funding needs.**

Officer Abbott took over Public Safety Club but with Covid, activities stopped but have recently started back up.

- ***Correspondence received.*** None.

- ***Future Agenda items for next meeting:*** Golf carts & e-bikes.

- ***Next meeting date:*** 7 June 2022 at 4 p.m., in person at the Marshall Buehler Center.

- *Adjourn:* Adjourned at 5:11 p.m. by Mitchell.

Sue Mitchell – Chairman