VILLAGE OF PORT EDWARDS

Port Edwards, Wisconsin

COMMITTEE: Public Safety Meeting DATE: July 6, 2022

TO: JOSEPH ZURFLUH

cc: BETSY MANCL	ERIK SAYLOR	RAYMOND BOSSERT
SUE MITCHELL	DAILY TRIBUNE	JASON WORDEN
TIARA GRUNDEN	WFHR/WGLX	DIANE TREMMEL
SCOTT DREW	NICK ABTS	LONN RADTKE
CALEB MCGREGOR		

Purpose of Meeting: Regular Monthly Meeting

Attendance: R. Bossert, J. Zurfluh (Zoom), K. Nagorski, S. Mitchell, T. Grunden, C. McGregor, Police Chief Drew, Fire Chief Worden Citizens: None

Subjects Discussed, Action Taken & Board Action Required:

Regular Monthly Meeting

- *Call to order:* Meeting called to order by Mitchell Chairman at 3:45 p.m.
- *Roll Call:* All present from above.
- Approve the previous month's agenda: MOTION (McGregor/Grunden) to approve agenda. Motion carried.
- Approve the previous month's minutes: MOTION (Mitchell/Grunden) to approve minutes from 7 June 2022. Motion carried.
- **Public comments on agenda items:** None.
- Committee Chairman's comments: None.
- Public Safety Updates

Fire Department

a. Review monthly & budget comparison reports. Retired Second Assistant Chief Doug Kenowski passed away last month, served 31 years as a firefighter/first responder. June's call volume is doubled from last year. Base radio power supply stopped working, \$190 replacement cost. Street dance was successful other than a

minor issue with the generator. Engine 1 is fixed after waiting months for the backordered part. Engine 2 had electrical issues and went in for repairs. Engine 1 went to Mid-State for MPO practical test, accidentally got sprayed through an open window from another person, interior got soaked and the airbag alarm has been on since.

Police Department

- a. Review monthly & budget comparison reports. Wood County Sheriff's Department executed a search warrant on 9 June. Substantial charges were issued. Chief Drew attended a session at the Child Advocacy Center in Marshfield Clinic. A suspected case of child neglect was evaluated, and the investigation is ongoing. Officer Abbott attended a School Resource Officer conference in Appleton. Two traffic grants this month require patrolling state highways and roads adjacent to increase traffic stops, because of this, enforcement is up. Wages from those will be reimbursed from these grants. Squad 1 check engine light was on, fixed for \$450, other vehicles are problem-free. Payroll and budget are on par. Calls for service are under a little from last year. Two crashes were investigated.
- New Business. Propose the need for a full-time officer and potential use to support SRO functions beyond the 12-hour per week agreement as well as other village requirements. Separating School Resource Officer (SRO) from the need for a 4th full-time officer. Hours will be covered by an officer regardless of what the school decides. Will table SRO discussion until new superintendent takes office. Suggestion to approve now to set the stage in the future for a seamless transition. Police & Fire Commission will need time to find candidates, conduct interviews, etc. to find the appropriate person for the job. Won't need additional funding this year, costs going forward will increase slightly. Trustees will move forward with the recommendation for a full-time officer.
- Old Business. None.
- *Correspondence received.* None.
- Future Agenda items for next meeting: SRO
- *Next meeting date:* 2 August 2022 at 4:00 p.m., in person at the Marshall Buehler Center.
- *Adjourn:* Adjourned at 4:36 p.m. by Mitchell.

Sue Mitchell – Chairman