

MEETING:	REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
DATE AND TIME:	Monday, January 8, 2024 5:30 PM
LOCATION:	Germantown Village Hall Board Room N112 W17001 Mequon Road

MINUTES

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** *This meeting has been given public notice in accordance with Section 19.83 and 19.84, Wis. Stats, in such form that will apprise the general public and news media of subject matter that is intended for consideration and action.*

The PSC meeting was called to order at 5:30pm.

II. **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Trustee Phil Hudson, Trustee Bill Neureuther, Trustee Jolene Pieper.

Also present: Police Chief Mike Snow, Fire Chief John Delain, Administrative Manager Amy Lerch.

Absent: none

Excused: Trustee David Baum arriving late

- III. **CITIZEN INPUT:** *(Please be advised per 19.84(2) that information and comment will be received from the public. It is the policy of this municipality that public input be limited to a three (3) minute period per person with a time extension granted at the discretion of the Chairperson. Be advised that there may be limited discussion of the information received but no action will be taken under public comments.)*

Trustee David Baum arrived prior to the beginning of this Agenda item.

Melanie Smythe (Cedar Ln) addressed the Committee asking what is being done at the Village and State level regarding illegal immigrants in the area. Whitewater, WI recently had a group of immigrants bussed-in, and she's asking the PSC to discuss plans we will undertake should Germantown be the next location. As an immigrant from Europe, Ms. Smythe fully supports coming to this country and becoming a U.S. citizen the right way, not just having people dropped off.

IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A. December 4, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

Trustee Baum stepped out of the room at the beginning of this Agenda item.

Motion: Approve as presented

Motioned by: Jolene Pieper

Seconded by: Bill Neureuther

There was no discussion; all present voted in favor, motion passed.

V. REPORTS:

A. Police Monthly Report

Trustee Baum returned to the meeting prior to the beginning of this Agenda item.

Chief Snow reported traffic violations dropped significantly, possibly related to requests for extra patrols during November. But issued citations have increased significantly. Noted was the lack of mainstream media coverage of the record number of officers shot in 2023. With the recent events happening in Germantown, our department was very close to being part of the statistics.

There was an accident on Hwy 41 with a squad that was rear-ended by an OWI while another OWI stop was being performed. No Officer injuries, both OWI parties were arrested.

Officer Dave Pierzchalski retired last week after 30+ years in law enforcement; we have had a new hire Officer begin the Academy this week.

Trustee Hudson asked about the status of the KMS Shooting Investigation. Chief Snow reported the Officers were cleared and are back on duty, nothing further being investigated by DCI, and everything has been sent to the DA's office.

B. Fire Department Monthly Report

Chief Delain reported the November response time was below 90%, but being a busier month we had multiple crews out at the same time.

There was a large natural gas leak in the Village, resulting in a victim being found unresponsive in the basement. Two GFD crew members were able to get the patient out of the basement, treat on scene and transport to the hospital. Doing this all on their own prior to WE Energies and MFFD arriving on scene, as our other GFD crew members were on other calls, has resulted in both of them being on light duty with back injuries, related to staffing issues. I will be bringing forward an award for the two crew members at the next PSC meeting. Also, there will be an uptick in OT with the Department due to the light duty coverage.

Trustee Neureuther asked about the Mutual Aid numbers on the report, Chief Delain explained how the MA and MABAS systems help us and other communities.

Trustee Baum recognized that the response time percentages are always within a very small range, so falling below 90% by 1 point is not a concern as the overall average is what matters. GFD is doing a fabulous job and efforts are appreciated.

C. Overtime Report

Chief Delain reiterated the OT due to the recent injuries and light duty.

Chief Snow reported GPD is down 2 dispatchers in association to the switchover, and the remaining dispatchers are doing a great job covering shifts and working the OT needed.

D. Policy Updates

No reports from GPD or GFD.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Dispatch Transition (ongoing discussion)

Trustee Hudson reported the dispatch transition timeline that was requested from Village Administration has not been made available to this Committee for this meeting; he will follow-up to get this for the next meeting.

Trustees Baum asked about the recent meeting related to the upcoming referendum that included Mueller Communications. Questions will be brought to the Village Attorney and the Village Board members regarding if and how the Village Trustees can "endorse" a letter to the residents showing their support for the referendum. The Committee continued discussion on the matter. Chief Snow provided an update on the multi-juris project, taking longer than anticipated with no clear estimated date of completion. Also explained the ProPhoenix usage and update.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Application for Temporary Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage/ "Class B" Wine Retailer's License for St Boniface Congregation's Spaghetti Dinner, W204N11968 Goldendale Rd, January 27, 2024.

Motion: Approve Item A as presented

Motioned by: Jolene Pieper

Seconded by: David Baum

There was no discussion; all present voted in favor, motion passed.

- B. Application for Temporary Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage Retailer's License for St Boniface Congregation's Lent Fish Fry, W204N11968 Goldendale Rd, February 16, February 23, and March 1, 2024.

Motion: Approve Item B as presented

Motioned by: Jolene Pieper

Seconded by: David Baum

There was no discussion; all present voted in favor, motion passed.

- C. Application for Temporary Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage/ "Class B" Wine Retailer's License for St Boniface Congregation's Trivia Night, W204N11968 Goldendale Rd, April 12, 2024.

Motion: Approve as presented

Motioned by: Jolene Pieper

Seconded by: David Baum

There was no discussion; all present voted in favor, motion passed.

- D. Application for an **ORIGINAL** "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for **FCH Germantown LLC**, N116W15863 Main St, d/b/a Von Rothenburg Bier Stube, Agent Shaun Bowe

Motion: Approve Item D as presented

Motioned by: David Baum

Seconded by: Bill Neureuther

Discussion ensued regarding the surrender of the *old* license(s) prior to approving this new license(s), as well as the removal of the outdoor premise extension. Shaun Bowe, Agent for the application, addressed the Committee regarding instructions he was given from our Village Clerk.

Amendment of motion: David Baum, removal of the outdoor premise extension from the recommendation. Jolene Pieper recused herself from the voting on this item.

Seconded by: Bill Neureuther for further discussion.

Discussion ensued regarding the possible reasons of the Clerk to require two applications for one property, and it was noticed the verbiage of the paperwork was contradictory.

Withdrawal of amended motion: David Baum

Agreement of second: Bill Neureuther

Committee agreed approval of this Agenda item D would be approving the *application*, not the Clerk's memo within the packet.

No further discussion, voting as follows:

Yes: Hudson, Baum, Neureuther

No: none

Abstain: Pieper

Motion (original) was passed.

- E. Purchase of F150

Chief Snow reported the purchase amount of \$47,343.00 was in the approved 2024 budget, but this Agenda item approval will get the order in the queue for arrival mid-2024.

Motion to approve: Jolene Pieper

Seconded: David Baum

There was no discussion, all present voted in favor, motion passed.

F. Purchase of two (2) 2025 Ford Police Interceptors

Chief Snow reported the purchase of these 2 Interceptors was in the approved 2024 budget, but this Agenda item approval will get the order in the queue for arrival mid-2024.

Motioned by: David Baum

Seconded by: Jolene Pieper

Jolene Pieper asked Chief Snow to clarify if this amount was fully covered in the budget, he confirmed it was.

No further discussion, all present voted in favor, motion passed.

G. Purchase of 2025 Ford Police Interceptor to replace Squad 12

Motioned by: David Baum

Seconded by: Jolene Pieper

David Baum asked about the price points for this vehicle replacement, Chief Snow confirmed it included the change-over and equipment costs.

No further discussion, all present voted in favor, motion passed.

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next Public Safety Committee Meeting was set for Monday, 2/5/24 at 6pm.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm.