

MEETING:	REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
DATE AND TIME:	Monday, February 3, 2025 6:00 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.*

Village Attorney Brian Sajdak called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. In the absence of a Committee Chair, first order of business was to entertain a nomination or motion for a Chair Pro Tem.

Motion: Nominate Trustee Meg Cutts as Committee Chair Pro Tem

Motioned by: Trustee David Baum

Seconded by: Trustee Jolene Pieper

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Pieper

No: None

Abstain: Trustee Cutts

Motion carried by voice vote (Yes 2 No 0 Abstain 1)

II. **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Chair Pro Tem Trustee Meg Cutts, Trustee David Baum, Trustee Jolene Pieper

Absent:

Excused:

Also present: Village Attorney Brian Sajdak, Fire Chief John Delain, Interim Police Chief Captain Pat Merten, Admin Mgr Amy Lerch

- 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.)*

There was no Citizen Input.

IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- A. Approval of 01/06/25 PSC meeting minutes.

Motion: Approve minutes as presented.

Motioned by: Trustee Pieper

Seconded by: Trustee Baum

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Pieper, Trustee Cutts

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried by voice vote (Yes 3 No 0 Abstain 0)

V. REPORTS:

A. Police Monthly Report

Capt. Merten reported that retail thefts have increased yet motor vehicle accidents are on the decline. Last week a Flock Alert resulted in the arrest of a sex offender from Fond du Lac, WI. Committee discussion ensued regarding the Flock cameras, funding, renewal, theft locations, ticket issuing process.

B. Fire Department Monthly Report

Chief Delain reported the graduation of 4 new hires from the GFD Academy. End of January large scale brush fire resulted in assistance from Richfield Fire, Menomonee Falls Fire, and Jackson Fire for a 7-plus hour fire incident. DPW also assisted with backhoes and other equipment. The costs related to the fire will be billed back to the landscape company that started the fire.

C. Overtime Report

Capt. Merten reported (1) employee still on FMLA, GPD is down (7) officer positions (4 from Referendum, 3 from 2024). Presently posting a position now, should close 3/3/25. Trustee Pieper asked about possible retirements in 2024-2025.

Chief Delain reported OT was down significantly (only 277, less than half since this time last year). Bringing on the new members from the Referendum has affected the OT.

D. Policy Updates

No Policy Updates from GPD or GFD.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Weather Siren Proposal

Capt. Merten presented the previously presented quotes for the proposed Weather Siren updates.

Motion: Table this topic until next meeting

Motioned by: Trustee Pieper

Seconded by: Trustee Baum for discussion

Discussion ensued; Capt. Merten requested topic not be tabled tonight, as the Sergeant On Duty will not always be available once Dispatch is fully moved to County.

Motion withdrawn by Trustee Pieper and Trustee Baum.

Discussion ensued.

Motion: Approve lower cost Option 1 at a cost of \$22,659 (listed as Option 2 in Agenda Packet Attachment)

Motioned by: Trustee Pieper

Seconded by: Trustee Baum

Trustee Cutts asked if there was money set aside in the budget?

Capt. Merten reported there was not; this item would go to GGF for funding approval. Also must address maintenance of systems if neither option approved tonight.

Committee discussion ensued.

Yes: Trustee Cutts

No: Trustee Baum, Trustee Pieper

Abstain: None

Motion failed by voice vote (Yes 1 No 2 Abstain 0)

Motion: Approve higher cost option 2 at a cost of \$128,897 (listed as Option 1 in Agenda Packet Attachment)

Motioned by: Trustee Baum

Seconded by: Trustee Pieper for discussion

Yes: 0

No: 3

Abstain: None

Motion failed by voice vote (Yes 0 No 3 Abstain 0)

Trustee Baum asked Capt. Merten to gather for next meeting:

-quote to maintain siren systems for 1 yr (remainder of contract)

-quote to dismantle siren systems

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Toughbook Computer Purchase

Motion: Move to approve as presented.

Motioned by: Trustee Baum for discussion

Seconded by: Trustee Pieper

Trustee Pieper asked about resale value, what was budgeted vs. cost.

Committee discussion ensued, with Trustee Pieper recommending looking into numerous disposal options.

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Pieper, Trustee Cutts

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried by voice vote (Yes 3 No 0 Abstain 0)

B. IDEMIA Booking Software

Motion: Approve as presented.

Motioned by: Trustee Baum

Seconded by: Trustee Pieper

Trustee Baum asked about funding/grants.

Trustee Cutts asked about maintenance.

Discussion ensued.

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Pieper, Trustee Cutts

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried by voice vote (Yes 3 No 0 Abstain 0)

- C. Application for Appointment of Successor Agent: Kwik Trip #631, W188N10963 Maple Rd; Agent for Consideration: Tristain Sparks

Motion: Approve as presented.

Motioned by: Trustee Baum

Seconded by: Trustee Pieper

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Pieper, Trustee Cutts

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried by voice vote (Yes 3 No 0 Abstain 0)

- D. Application for Temporary Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Wine Retailer's License - Deutschstadt Heritage Foundation's *Maifest* on 05/16/25-05/18/25 at Firemen's Park

Motion: Approve as presented.

Motioned by: Trustee Baum

Seconded by: Trustee Pieper

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Pieper, Trustee Cutts

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried by voice vote (Yes 3 No 0 Abstain 0)

- E. A Resolution Establishing the Fee for Outdoor Entertainment Permits
Village Attorney Sajdak presented information regarding the proposed resolution.

Motion: Approve as presented with the annual fee modification of \$200 instead of \$350.

Motioned by: Trustee Pieper

Seconded by: Trustee Cutts for discussion

Trustee Cutts voiced appreciation for this structured resolution being presented.

Yes: Trustee Pieper, Trustee Cutts

No: Trustee Baum

Abstain: None

Motion carried by voice vote (Yes 2 No 1 Abstain 0)

- F. An Ordinance Amending Section 12.03 of the Germantown Municipal Code Related to Suspension or Revocation of Outdoor Entertainment Permits

Village Attorney Sajdak presented information regarding the proposed code amendment.

Committee discussion ensued regarding the presented language. Suspension and/or Revocation process requires a more detailed language, concerns about any one resident being able to start the process by filling out a form at Village Hall. What are the requirements/processes in other Communities.

Motion: Table the approval of this ordinance while researching comparable municipalities ordinances, as well as clarification of the presented language.

Motioned by: Trustee Pieper

Seconded by: Trustee Baum

Trustee Baum reiterated the concern that one resident could report one business without Police or Fire first being involved.

Yes: Trustee Baum, Trustee Pieper, Trustee Cutts

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried by voice vote (Yes 3 No 0 Abstain 0)

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next Public Safety Meeting will be held on Monday, March 3, 2025 at 6:00pm.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Pro Tem Trustee Cutts adjourned the meeting at 6:45pm.