

VILLAGE OF WALWORTH GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Monday, July 5, 2021, 4:00 p.m.
Village Hall, 227 N. Main St., Walworth WI

MINUTES

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 4 p.m. by Chair Reierson.

Roll call: Present were Trustees Dan Mizialko and Kristi Reierson. Also present were Trustees Louise Czaja and Bob Ball, Police Chief Ryan Milligan, Fire/Rescue Chief Dave Austin and Keileen Weberpal.

Comments from the public: none

Approval of Minutes from the June 14, 2021 regular General Services meeting and the May 3, 2021 Special General Services meeting. *Mizialko/Reierson to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.*

Discussion, Consideration and Recommendation on the following:

Fire & Rescue Department Monthly Report: Chief Austin reported on calls for the month of June. He also introduced new members to the squad, Aspen Zilmer and Hannah Loudenbeck. Chief Austin recently participated in a hazmat tabletop exercise at Kikkoman Foods. He is planning CPR/AED training for Village employees as well as fire extinguisher training for interested individuals. He reported that this year's National Night Out is scheduled for August 2 at the County Fairgrounds.

- a. Fire & Rescue By-laws: no action taken.
- b. Budget review: no concerns at this time.

Emergency Government Monthly Report: No report was presented.

Police Department Monthly Report: The call report was not available at this time. Chief Milligan indicated, however, that call volume was as expected.

- a. Village of Walworth website update for Police Department: Use of Force SOP (Standard Operating Procedure) will be added to the website. The Chief intends to explore additions and changes to the webpage and add additional information in the future.
- b. Potential future part-time employee: Alex Torres, a retired deputy, will start in September and will be the court officer for the Police Department.
- c. Seven new bills passed by Wisconsin Legislature in reference to Law Enforcement Reform: Use of Force reporting is already in place on the website. Chokeholds are also prohibited as SOP for the Walworth Police Department.

- d. AT&T FirstNet update: Village employees will have the opportunity to sign up for this service on Friday, July 9.
- e. Squad 3 (Chevrolet Tahoe) air conditioner: The air conditioning wasn't working. This is a problem during hot weather months not only for the officers, but also for the electronics in the squad car. The cost for repair is \$1,500. *Mizialko/Reierson motion to refer the matter to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.*
In addition, the electronics on Squad 1 went out; the cost, however, was \$183 to replace a battery.
- f. Complaint concerning activities in the high school parking lot during and after baseball games on weekends: Chief Milligan indicated that extra patrols were initiated to monitor the behavior of individuals in the area. He has been in contact with Tony Greco of Ball and Glove who coordinates with GameDay concerning this matter.
- g. Budget review: no concerns at this time.

Court update: A report on court forfeitures for the month of June 2021 was not available at this time.

Contract for Fire Protection Services and Emergency Medical Services with the Town of Walworth: The committee reviewed the proposed contract. Of concern is the age of the equipment (Township pumper and tanker) and the cost of equipment repair and replacement. It was also unclear of the ownership of current equipment under the proposed contract.

Village Ordinance review and updates: Discussion on ordinance pertaining to beer gardens, al fresco dining and food trucks was held. It is the consensus of the committee that the Village should move forward with creating ordinance for them. No formal action was taken at this time. Assistance with ordinance language from the Village attorney may be required.

Fire/Rescue Department and Police Department Facilities Discussion: Discussion on building plans, a publicity campaign and a timeline was held. It was the consensus of the committee that we should move forward with creating a facilities building plan. *A Mizialko/Reierson motion to refer the matter to the Plan Commission. Motion carried.*

2022 Budget Workshop: Budget requests will be discussed at the August meeting. Department heads should be prepared to present preliminary figures.

Schedule next meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 2, 2021 at 4 p.m.

Adjournment: *A Mizialko/Reierson motion to adjourn at 5:28 p.m. Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Kristi Reierson
General Services Chair
Village of Walworth Trustee
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