

## OWEN-WITHEE POLICE COMMITTEE MINUTES

**DATE:** Tuesday February 7th, 2023

**LOCATION:** Owen, **TIME:** 6:00 pm

**CITY OFFICIALS:**

**OWEN:** Pam Jaffke, Joan Jalling, and Bob Wilczek

**WITHEE:** Everett Lindgren, Randy Shelton, and Gary Gehrke.

**ATTENDANCE LIST:** Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Rau, Officer Haugstad, and Cindy Cardinal/OW Enterprise

The meeting called to order at 6:02pm by Chair Jaffke.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Approve Minutes from 1/3/23:** Jalling/Wilczek motion to approve minutes as written. Motion carried.

**Monthly Call Report:** 44 calls for service, 120 traffic stops, 67 traffic citations, 13 ordinance citations and 127 warnings. Last year averaging 50 cases and this month 160+. Construction company trailers were burglarized. Those people are in custody. Now Jake can do monthly reports with K-9 unit. Tobacco/vaping issues at the school. After a certified letter for ordinance violations is mailed and signed, possibly 7-8 letters before we can get a court order petition started. 6 letters sent already. Lindgren/Gehrke motion to accept the report as printed and discussed. Motion carried.

**Equipment/K9 Update:** Equipment \$7,000 grant, they plan to purchase new body cameras, batteries and accessories they need for the cameras. The old cameras can be used as backups. Patrick was talking about getting traffic cones and safety equipment for each squad. Traffic vests and a couple of disposable and non-disposable thermal blankets. Patrick is currently away at the Chief Conference so while he is away the 2016 Squad is at Courtesy. At some point last fall while they were doing work on it something was punctured, Courtesy is aware and it is being addressed. Gehrke/Shelton motion to approve the K9 and Equipment updates. Motion carried.

**Chief Contract:** Wilczek/Lindgren motion to postpone until next month. Motion carried.

**Utilities/Rent:** Discussed disconnecting the water meter so Police are not paying for water. Could we just shut off the meter like we do with parks? Lindgren/Wilczek motion to disconnecting the meter in the garage. Motion carried. Jalling/Lindgren motion for the police department to pay the garage heat/electric bills when they come in. Motion carried.

**Finance Report:** Keep the board updated with any money that comes from citations. 67 citations this last month which is probably \$13,000 in fees. We get a portion of that. Jalling/Wilczek motion to approve the finance report. Motion carried.

**Accounts Payables/Disbursements:** Wilczek/Shelton motion to approve the accounts payable/disbursements. Motion carried.

**Suggested Items for Future Agenda:** Chief Contract, 6-month breakdown/end of the year, Ride-Alongs.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.

Next meeting: March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 6:00pm

Submitted by: Jessi Stolfi Deputy Clerk