

OWEN-WITHEE POLICE COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday May 2nd, 2023

LOCATION: Owen City Hall, **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 Tracy Rau, Chief Fehlman, Officer Haugstad, Cindy Cardinal/Enterprise Sentinel, Mayor Scott Jalling

The meeting called to order at 6:00pm by Chair Jaffke.

Public Comment: Clerk Rau had a resident from Withee, who is cleaning up their property, wondering where he could disperse of wood or pallets. Called Withee Clerk Ellen Niemi and there is no location to drop off wood. Everett Lindgren said they do not take pallets because of possible nails. With letters sent out about yards being picked up and fines, what should they do? Reach out to the Police Department and see where they can take things. Withee do a Clean Sweep. Lindgren mentioned that they can call the waste management company for a special pick up, but they must call ahead and get it out to the street. Dump in Withee is brush only. Express in Thorp also allows you to drop off. They have a scale where you drive in, weigh, dump and reweigh and they charge by tonnage. They could also get a dumpster and haul it away. Wilczek said Withee could join Owen next year for a co-op clean sweep.

Approve Minutes from 4/4/23: Wilczek/Jalling motion to approve the minutes from 4/4/23. Motion carried.

Monthly Call Report: Vehicle that was taken at the beginning of the month was retrieved, investigated, and arranging to get the vehicle back to the victim. Waiting to investigate the evidence. No issues with the fire danger last month. Had someone burning brush in yard. Jaffke asked about Worthless Checks, who should be contacted, the DA or the Police Department? Vehicle Fire response. 911 is still at 20 a day, Samsung has the power button, like an SOS, they hit it a couple times too many and it accidentally calls. Kerry had a fax machine that was calling 911. With a 911 call the procedure is to make sure everything is ok, talk to them over the phone and gauge how they sound. Most of the time, dispatchers are good about if it is an accident or pocket dials; but go to check it out and take it seriously. Lindgren/Gehrke motion to approve the monthly call report. Motion carried.

Equipment/K9 Update: Nothing with K9 and uniform purchases just got in.

Chief Contract: Bonnie Wachsmuth spoke on the phone the other day and needs a little more time to go over the wording. No action taken.

Ordinances: No action.

Finance Report: Wilczek/Shelton motion to approve the finance report. Motion carried.

Accounts Payables/Disbursements: Shelton/Jalling motion to approve accounts payables/disbursements. Motion carried.

Suggested Items for Future Agenda: Chief Contract, July 4th meeting switched to July 6th.

Lindgren motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:24pm.

Next meeting: June 6th, 2023, at 6:00pm

Submitted by: Jessi Stolfi Deputy Clerk