



January 11, 2018

Public Safety Committee Meeting

The Public Safety Committee met on Thursday, January 11, 2018 @ 9:00 a.m. at 316 S. Brad Street, Grantsburg, Wisconsin.

The Public Safety Committee Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Committee Chairman, Greg Peer.

Roll Call

Present: Chairman, Greg Peer
Member, Larry Ebersold
Member, Diane Barton

Absent: None

Others: Village Clerk, Patty Bjorklund
Village Treasurer, Sheila Meyer
Public Works Director, Chris Bartlett
Police Chief, Jeff Schinzing
Police Officer, Dan Wald
John Erickson, Ordinance Officer

Discussion took place regarding Section 10-1-21 (c) Parking during Snow Removal of the Village of Grantsburg Ordinances. Village President (Member), Ebersold had posed the question at the January 8, 2018 Village Board Meeting as to whether the board should remove the ordinance altogether or change the way it is being enforced. Member, Barton noted that during the last snowstorm there were 12 cars parked on Summit Avenue that had places to park on their property, so they could have moved the cars off of the street for snow removal. Previously, there were hours posted in the village for 2:00 a.m. – 6:00 a.m. for hours to move vehicles off of streets in the event of a snow emergency on Main Street; Public Works Director, Bartlett stated. The signs were removed because the restaurant opened before 6:00 a.m. and the bars closed after 2:00 a.m. Police Chief, Schinzing noted that enforcement of parking during those emergencies has been done. The first time a car is left during a snow emergency (anything over 2" per ordinance) the vehicle will have a warning put on their front window. If the vehicle is left during a second snow emergency, the vehicle will be ticketed a \$25 fine per local ordinance. He also noted that he has knocked on resident's doors to let them know that their vehicle needs to be moved. Officer, Wald stated that education is a key component to helping alleviate the issues. He stated whether it is by signs, notices, etc.

Member Ebersold, seconded by Chairman Peer to discuss this issue at a future meeting when the updated village ordinances are reviewed.

Ayes: Peer, Ebersold, Barton
Nays: NONE
Motion to approve: Carried

Police Sponsorship of John Erickson was discussed. Mr. Erickson is looking to have the Village of Grantsburg sponsor him for Police Academy training to obtain his Wisconsin Police Certification. Member, Ebersold noted that he had spoken with Mr. Erickson previous to this meeting asking about the fact that he would not have



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health insurance for the time he takes the training for 4 months at the Police Academy. The village would not pay for that expense. Discussion also took place regarding mileage reimbursement. Mr. Erickson would receive reimbursement for his training so that is not part of the costs the village would have to pay. Police Chief, Schinzing mentioned the fact that there is not a good vehicle that the village has for him to use for the transportation to training. There are only 2 squads available, and both the Police Chief and Officers would need to use those vehicles. It was also noted that the Police Academy Training would also be reimbursed. The only costs would be his hours to attend the training which the village would pay for. Village Treasurer, Meyer reported that the costs in wages for his attendance would be \$11,232 plus \$860 in payroll taxes. The amounts budgeted for 2018 for Ordinance Officer was \$4,198 and \$8,600 for additional patrols. The total amount available there was \$12,798. Chairman, Ebersold noted that at the January 5, 2018 Administration Committee Meeting, they had made the recommendation to the Full Board to approve Mr. Erickson going to the Wisconsin Police Academy Training with the Village of Grantsburg sponsoring him with the knowledge that the training would be reimbursed. Village Treasurer, Meyer had researched costs for wages and mileage and presented them to the full board at the January 8, 2018 Regular Board Meeting. There were concerns by Village Trustee, Woody regarding Unemployment that would be paid to Mr. Erickson if he did not get hired by the village after his training at that meeting. Discussion of a contract was made also.

Chairman, Peer, seconded by Member, Ebersold to discuss this issue at a future meeting when Mr. Erickson has had an opportunity to discuss the costs with his wife.

Ayes: Peer, Ebersold, Barton
 Nays: NONE
 Motion to approve: Carried

Member, Ebersold, seconded by Member, Barton to adjourn the Public Safety Committee Meeting at 9:58 a.m.

Ayes: Peer, Ebersold, Barton
 Nays: NONE
 Motion to approve: Carried

Submitted by:

Patty Bjorklund – WCMC, CMC, CMTW
 Village Clerk, Deputy-Treasurer
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