

Public Health and Safety Committee, Wed. July 5, 2017, 7:00 pm
Approved Minutes

Location: Village Hall

1. Call to Order 7:05 pm
2. Roll Call: Bill Muehl, Jim Rogers, Tim Crisp, Felice Borisy-Rudin
Staff: Karl Frantz; Chief Jerry Jansen by telephone
Guest: Jeremy Tunis
3. Telephone call with Police Chief Jansen
Has met with every officer and civilian staff to get a bigger picture of the department. He retired 12 years ago – some things have change and others have stayed the same. Will finish with all the part-timers tomorrow. Has kept in contact with the department over the years. Has met with Karl and Cokie a few times over the years. Loves the village, worked 25 years for the Village. Reads bulletin every month.
Way forward: has created a to-do list for the things that aren't getting done. Was brought on to review the policies and procedures in the department now. Knows that many of the policies are current, but not modified to our department, need tweaking to fit our policy manual. Other polices don't have any bearing on a department our size and should be removed – plans to streamline to what we need. Will be recommending some other changes. Will start a few things himself during these next three months and monitor. Other things he will put into a document that he will provide to our final candidate in a hand-off document. Wants to get department updated on 21st century policing. Policing has changed drastically in last 2 to 5 years. Very concerned for officer safety. Even though we are a small village, our department needs to be trained up to the same standards as everyone else. Need to address de-escalation, and race relations. Jim Rogers encourages him to bring his recommendations forward, and asks who the recommendations will go to. Chief Jansen says that they should come first to this committee for review, and our committee can decide whether or not it should go to the board for review. It will go to us first before going to the new chief.
Bill Muehl wants to bring community to feel that they can support our police department physically and emotionally, as they previously supported our fire department, which will require some changes in what is rewarded in comments from the Chief. Wants to enhance situation for our community and our police officers. Chief Jansen feels that the community does support our police department. Bill Muehl suggests that there are behaviors that could make our police examples of how our residents want all police to function.
Jim Rogers asks that Chief Jansen's recommendations come forward even if they disagree in part with the Riseling group's report. Also asks if he is looking at mission statement. Believes that everything should be able to fall in alignment with the mission statement.
4. Report on Police Chief recruitment process: Committee will be from personnel (John Imes or Anne Readel, Mary Gulbrandsen) from PH&S (Felice Borisy-Rudin and Josh Sotos), and Dave Benforado. Aiming for 3 finalists. Applications are coming in. Due date is towards end of July.
5. Animal licensing ordinance. Chief Jansen says that this is a "wicked problem" that has no good answers, and would place the police department in the middle. He doesn't want the police department to become the hammer in a feud between neighbors. Jim Rogers moves to recommend renumbering 17.06(10)(a)9. To 17.06(10)(a)10., and creating 17.06(10)(a)9. To read

“Allow the pet to habitually be on another person’s property without permission from the property owner.”Tim Crisp seconds. All in favor 4:0.

6. Moved to recommend to Board to appoint Jeremy Tunis to committee. Bill Muehl moved, Tim Crisp seconded, all in favor 4:0.
7. Review of ordinance L-2017-1 sec. 7.17 Entering or Staying upon Highways Restricted if necessary. Committee reviewed purpose section and recommended wording change, pending attorney approval, to “This ordinance is designed to decrease safety hazards faced by pedestrians and motorists on and abutting the busiest streets within the Village of Shorewood Hills, defined as Covered Intersections.” Bill Muehl moved, Tim crisp seconded, all in favor 4:0.
8. Next meeting date and time: Monday, July 24, 7 pm, agenda: Riseling report, hirings, policies & procedures.