

MINUTES

TUESDAY JANUARY 15, 2014 – 6:00 PM

FIRE & POLICE COMMITTEE OF VILLAGE OF LENA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MUNICIPAL BUILDING BOARD ROOM, 117 E MAIN ST, LENA WI.

Meeting called to order by Chairman King at 6:06 pm January 15, 2014.

Committee Present: Chair Cody King, Judy Patenaude, Terry Hinds

Others Present: Chief Herald

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Patenaude, second by Hinds to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of minutes of previous meeting:

Motion by Patenaude, second by King to approve the minutes of the previous meeting on Dec 10, 2013.

Motion carried unanimously.

Report of Police Chief:

Notice that Jason Fisher has resigned (noted in last month's meeting minutes).

Chief will need to interview for additional applicants to fill the part time pool. One previous applicant has been eliminated from the pool. He will be soliciting 3 more applicants for the part time pool. Chief will select potential candidates and present them at the committee's next meeting.

Chief will receive some part time applicants from John Flannery of NWTC when he meets with him. All part time applicants are well aware of the very part time status of the position. Applicants would be happy to log just one shift per month for the experience.

Question by Hinds as to who we have on staff right now. Chief indicated George Soko, Carl Goelinger, Kevin Schneider and Jess Keplinger. Patenaude questioned status of Jess Keplinger, as he was only to be utilized for administrative assistance, per village board direction. Purpose was to retain him for assistance in administrative work until police chief felt confident to do that work himself. The police chief feels he has progressed to a level where he feels comfortable with the administrative functions. Hinds recommended that Chief Herald send Officer Keplinger a letter to the effect that while the committee sincerely appreciates and thanks him for his services, Chief Herald has progressed to a level in administration that we feel his services are not further needed.

Chief indicated that he will be attending new chief/sheriff conference in Madison Jan 26 – Feb 1, 2014. Lodging and meals costs are covered by the Association. Meals and mileage are paid by village according

to village reimbursement policy. Chief will claim appropriate expenses and submit claim for reimbursement, as has been past practice. Shifts in village will be covered by part time officers in his absence.

Chief is working with John Flannery and the School for the active shooter training classes. The donation for the FatalVision goggles has been accepted and an article on this will be in one of the local newspapers. Pictures of the donation will also be posted on the village website.

George will have many hours this month due to training and ride-alongs. Fewer hours next month. George will be working the wrestling tournament next week. Chief indicated he responded to an animal complaint and a juvenile incident at school. He also indicated he does "house-watches" in the village to assure safety of residences and businesses, especially during hours of darkness.

Also received a complaint of snowmobiles driving across a person's private property and sidewalk. Reference to snowmobile and sidewalk ordinances. Trails within the village are supposed to be marked.

Tracs system upgrade being worked on. Is a learning curve.

Next agenda:

Applicants will appear at next meeting

Police Chief Report

Upcoming Training

Next meeting – Feb 11, 2014 at 6.00 pm.

Adjournment: Motion by Patenaude, second by Hinds to adjourn at 6:35 pm. Carried.

Terry Hinds, Recorder (dated 02/10/14)

APPROVED BY POLICE/FIRE COMMITTEE ON FEB 11, 2014