

VILLAGE OF BENTLEYVILLE, OHIO

STREETS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

NOVEMBER 7, 2022 MEETING

12:30 PM

BENTLEYVILLE VILLAGE HALL

MINUTES

ATTENDEES:

- Kathleen Hale, Committee Chair
- Terry Hemmelgarn, Committee Member
- Chief Gabe Barone
- Service Director Ryan Klemm
- Nikkol Sell, Finance Director
- Lisa Whitmeyer, Council Rep
- Alex Goetsch, Council Rep
- Ken Kvacek, Council Rep

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 12:35

REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: The Minutes of the October 10, 2022 were reviewed and approved.

CHIEF OF POLICE'S REPORT

- YEAR END EXPENDITURES: In consultation with the Mayor, the Chief is presenting the following:
- Trade in of excess weapons, often donated by residents who no longer wanted them has given us a credit of \$1,3000 proceeds. It is proposed that credit be used toward purchase of four new rifles for patrol cars (cost of \$2,500) and to purchase intermediate, non-lethal ammunition for our present shotguns. These shotguns would be painted to identify them as non-lethal, intermediate weapons.
- Purchase of a new, heavy duty paper shredder (\$350).
- Two desk top computers, one for squad room and one for the Finance Director.
- New phones for the Administration Building : the present phones are obsolete, given present data needs and needed speed. The Chief will do a survey of the existing phones, to determine which phones need to be replaced, which can be eliminated and which can be reconfigured.
- Radar units have been in place since 2004. Most are still functioning well. One needs replacement of the unit (\$1,700). Purchase of one new small laser units(\$1,467) to also be considered.

- TOTAL NET COST OF LIST: NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000. THE COMMITTEE APPROVES THE PROPOSED PURCHASES AND WILL RECOMMEND AMENDING THE 2022 BUDGET ACCORDINGLY.

SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

YEAR END EXPENDITURES:

- Replacement of the clutch on the John Deere Tractor, installed by outside contractor (\$4,000). There was discussion about when or whether it makes more sense to replace the tractor or purchase a second smaller tractor. The Service Director is of the opinion that we are better off fixing the present tractor.
- Berm Box (\$8,800)
- THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TRANSFERING \$13,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND INTO THE CAPITAL EQUIPMENT FUND.
- We have a new full time hire, and are advertising for a second full time worker.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Lexipol and Police Manual Review:** The cost would be \$5,800 to subscribe to Lexipol. The Chief is of the opinion that the cost is not justified at this time.
- **Review of Flock**, license plate reader, system access is being pursued, and policies need to be established.
- **Status of State Alarm inspection** of battery backup for alarm system: the problem may now be fixed after in house work on the power cord.
- **Road berm repair review** at end of season: Berkshire and Winding River projects will be added to next year's schedule.
- **Miles Road Bridge railing replacement and power disconnect:** We have cut the power and are waiting for the meter to be removed. We have requested billing be cut off, and are awaiting response.
- **Traffic light controller replacement** at Solon and Chagrin River Roads: cost to purchase the existing emergency replacement unit (\$1,200 parts plus \$50 labor) from Signal Service.
- **Purchase of mobile digital speed monitor** was discussed. Because the anticipated use would be only for one location in the Village, the cost substantial (\$3-4,000) and its

effectiveness in controlling the speeders on that section of Grey Fox Run purely speculative, it was agreed to table the matter at this time. The Chief will instead reach out to residents in the targeted area, and discuss stationing a patrol car in their driveways from time to time. This course of action may be more effective and cost efficient.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Proposal to purchase and install a used diesel tank for the Service Garage, to supplement our existing diesel tank, and to purchase diesel to increase the Village's storage capacity.**

Argument for the purchase: Increase in capacity would give the Village the ability to purchase at low price. Present circumstances may indicate an imminent shortage. The Service Director has found a used tank, with a 500 gallon capacity, with a self-contained configuration that would not require installation of an underlying pad. Cost would be \$600 for the tank, and \$400. We are presently paying about \$5/gallon. Purchasing the fuel to fill this additional tank would be about \$2,500.

Legal requirements for purchase: Amendment of the 2022 Budget by Council is required. The Budget will have to be amended anyway at the next Council Meeting to authorize adding to the Fuel Budget to purchase necessary diesel through the year under present conditions. The Committee recommends introducing a motion to amend the Budget at the next Council Meeting in the amount of \$3,500, to allow purchase of a second tank, fuel to fill that tank, and sufficient fuel to power our trucks through the end of year.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 1:54 PM.

Minutes prepared and respectfully submitted by Kathleen Hale