



**Safety Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 21, 2019**

Call to Order:

Chair Leslie Miller called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Leslie Miller and Rick Vierheller

Amendments to Agenda:

None.

Approval of Minutes:

Rick Vierheller made a motion to approve the Safety Minutes of September 16, 2019, and the motion was seconded by Chair Leslie Miller. One aye vote. Mr. Vierheller abstained. The minutes were approved as written.

Privilege of the Floor:

None.

Chief's Report

Chief Burson reported that all of the Seville Police Department Officers have served the community professionally and have all returned home safely. Chief Burson thanked Staff Sgt. Scott Phillips for his eight years of service.

Chief Burson reviewed statistics for September. There were 36 traffic related calls. The Department had 55 assists to BOPA, Fire and EMS and 8 citizen assists. The Department had 24 suspicious persons, cars or circumstances. The Department had 3,158 miles driven. The Department had 17 new offenses including 1 new felony, 4 misdemeanors, 6 minor misdemeanor offenses and 6 traffic offenses. The significant offenses included assault, breaking and entering, disorderly conduct, domestic violence, and OVI.

The Department cleared 6 offenses by arrest, 3 cleared by other agencies, 2 closed, 3 traffic citations, and 1 investigation pending.

Two officers participated in training for the Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement. One officer went to forensics training and one attended the REID Interview and Interrogation training.

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Chief's Report (continued)

Chief Burson listed major events in September included the Cy Hewit concession stand was broken into. An officer checking two suspicious persons sleeping in their car and discovered 2 felony warrants on the driver. A man and woman were cited for disorderly conduct after becoming involved in an altercation at Center and Spring Streets. The Ohio State Patrol and the Medina County Sheriff's Department were involved in a lengthy pursuit on I 71 and 271. The pursuit ended when the driver met a Seville officer and his handy-dandy spike strips. The pursuit continued for only two more miles before the driver attempted to flee on foot and was tasered by a State Trooper and arrested. An Officer assisted Job & Family Services in the removal of three children from a home after the parents left the children in unsafe conditions while they were in jail. Two assaults at the Meadowview Care Center resulted in a summons being issued and the facility being issued a public nuisance letter. A woman arrested for an OVI repeatedly spit on equipment and around the room during her test and then admitted to having hepatitis. A special cleaning company was called and the bill has been given to the probation officer for collection.

Chief Burson reported Council approved the application for the Ballistic Vest Grant with the Ohio Attorneys General Office. The grant pays 75% of the cost making our cost \$125 per vest. Two vests are due in 2020 and three in 2021. The plan is to replace all 5 for the price of \$750 saving \$2,250.

Chief Burson reported Council approved the application for the Edward Byrnes Grant requesting \$20,000 for in car video systems. Officer Thompson is working very hard to complete the application. We will know if we were accepted late in the year.

Chief Burson said he met with Mayor Carter and a representative concerning a new phone system. The Village has a contract with First Communications until November of 2020. He said he will review the systems in July to allow for proper notification if we are changing services.

Chief Burson said the new cars have been ordered and at this time it is unknown if the GM strike will affect the expected delivery date in December.

New Business:

None.

Pending/Completed Legislation

Ordinance 2019-45 authorizing the Chief of Police to dispose of Village property no longer needed. Second reading is scheduled for October 23rd.

Resolution 2019-18 allows for a grant for the Ohio Law Enforcement Body Armor Program. Council passed by emergency language on October 16th.

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Pending/Completed Legislation (continued)

Resolution 2019-19 allows to apply for grant from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program. Council passed by emergency language on October 16th.

Ordinance 2019-57 allows to enter into a contract to purchase five (5) 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe 4wd police vehicles from Ganley Chevrolet of Aurora LLC.

Old Business:

Chair Miller said the preliminary budget for 2020 has been adjusted from the last meeting. Chair Miller noted the budgets will be affected by the pass or fail of the renewal levy (no additional taxes). The Village will lose \$200,000 if the renewal levy does not pass.

Privilege of the Floor:

Mayor Carter said she is in the process of getting banners created to remind the residents to vote for the renewal levies.

Rick Vierheller made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Chair Miller seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Leslie Miller
Safety Committee Chair