Police Board Minutes November 9, 2023

The Police Board Meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm at Jewell City Hall with the following members present. Winborn, Yager, Reiter, Zanker, Sogard

Members absent Schroeder

Also Present: Turpen, Morton

Reviewed October 2023 meeting minutes, no concerns with the minutes

Motion to approve Yager and Winborn 2nd – all were in favor of approving minutes

Reviewed October 2023 monthly activity report and financial report – all questions were answered as needed.

Budget

Camera fees for the city of Jewell were removed from the PD budget for a estimated savings of $1400.

Insurance for the rifles was quoted at $210 per rifle per year, we will not be getting this at this time.

Discussion on questions from last meeting concerning insurance bills – the October payment was workers compensation additional premium.

Last month we discussed putting money into a CD from the sinking fund. There is currently approximately $34,000 in the fund at this time. Rates are around 5% or more.

Discussion to place $30,000 into a 6 month CD

Motion to invest in CD: Reiter and Winborn 2nd

Roll call vote: Sogard Y, Yager Y, Winbord Y, Zanker Y, Reiter Y motion passed:

Turpen reached out to Regina,11/10, to start the process to get the money into the CD.

Equipment

Revisited the idea for air purification systems for the office and cars. A grant from EHC was obtained in the amount of $459.20 leaving $688.80 required from the budget. It was discussed that with the savings from the cameras this amount will be covered.

Motion to purchase: Yager and Winborn 2nd

Roll call vote: Reiter Y, Zanker Y, Winborn Y, Yager Y, Sogard Y motion passed

Turpen reached out to salesman on 11/10 to see how to order the items.

Discussed the computer issue from last month when the laptop crashed in the office and a new one was purchased for $699.99. This was done as a new computer was needed since the old hard drive was done and could not be repaired. As with the air purification system this can be paid for with the savings from the camera system. Winborn will help with writing script to back up both office computers to help prevent future loss of data. Along with the new computer a set of speakers had to be ordered as there was no internal speaker with new system and an external hard driver was ordered to utilize in addition to the server back up.

Upcoming events

November 25 is small business Saturday and start to Yule in Jewell

November 22 there will be music and food at Malibu

December 9 Santa is coming to Ellsworth

Library in Stanhope is having Christmas event but date is not known – will reach out to Dee for date and time.

Training

Turpen is completing a training on internal investigations and Back the Blue as required by ILEA – online course.

Next meeting scheduled for December 7, 2023, at 6:00pm.

Officer Morton brought up a gun safe that he found online for approximately $180.00. This is something we have been discussing for awhile but have not found anything that would work. This safe is at Tractor Supply. This is for the guns that are in evidence.

Motion to purchase safe: Sogard and Winborn 2nd

Roll call vote: Reiter Y, Zanker Y, Winborn Y, Yager Y, Sogard Y motion passed

Turpen filled out account for Tractor Supply and submitted tax exempt paperwork on 11/10. Will order safe once status is approved.

City Concerns:

**Jewell:**

Reiter: Nothing

Winborn: the school did not get a grant for repeaters inside the school, they are still looking for other options $10,000 per school, changes will be coming as far as structural improvements for safety.

**Ellsworth:**

Yager: discussed her meeting at Wings of Refuge, this was more of a meeting for them to solicit help vs how to help the victims. She is continuing to look for avenues to help human trafficking victims.

Turpen will send human trafficking information from state to her, information sent to Ellsworth city clerk to forward via email.

Brad Ashburn has been apparently calling about the dog at 1520 Delphi being out, he is not calling us and the latest dog around town has not been from that house.

Sogard: Nothing

Morton reported that charges have been filed on Mr. Cook for junk vehicles.

**Stanhope:**

Zanker: There was a question concerning repossession of gravel from a customer that had not paid – this is a civil issue and the person who sold gravel will have to take the customer to civil court to get a judgement for payment of gravel and delivery.

Turpen reported that H. Davidson has been filed on for junk and trash around his property after several months of waiting for him to clean it up and complaints from council member.

Motion to adjourn Yager and Winborn 2nd, All in favor.

Meeting Adjourned 6:50 pm

David A. Turpen