

ELLSWORTH JEWELL STANHOPE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Police Board Minutes May 1, 2024

The Police Board Meeting was called to order at 6:59 pm at Jewell City Hall with the following members present. Walker, Wirtz, Zanker, Butler, Yager

Members absent Sogard,

Also Present: Turpen, Morton, Scott Rohloff

Reviewed March 2024 meeting minutes, question concerning the posting of the minutes addressed - minutes are sent to city clerks and I believe they post them on the city websites

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

Reviewed March 2024 monthly activity report and financial report – all questions were answered as needed.

Citation page was missed when printing packet, Kaleb printed one and handed it out.

Turpen mentioned that he had been doing traffic but no violations when out – probably due to being seen but habits are changed when people see patrol vehicle – will continue to do traffic monitoring in all 3 towns

Review of financial report showed a large charge at farm store last month – will check with clerk to see what that is – Turpen checked with clerk it is on the wrong line it was the annual payment for the in-car video system this was changed.

Question about \$4200 payment for insurance – Turpen checked with agent – this was for the annual automotive premiums.

Reviewed the concerns from last months meeting: Turpen has been working with Mr. Rohloff to get his yard taken care of, since talking to him he has been out of state working and did not expect to be back until at least next week late, but he was going to take care of the yard.

I believe the wood in the alley in Stanhope is moved out of the alley and the property owner came to me about needing more time to clean up the property. He has been working on it daily, as weather allows.

SRO discussion

Discussion about how we should proceed on this process. Ms. Holm was unable to attend due to prior commitment. It was suggested all councils discuss the proposal and come back to board with council thoughts. A print out from Hudson PD SRO was provided to all members with answers to questions I had submitted to them about their program. I also relayed information that I obtained from the SRO from Leon PD. There was lengthy discussion of the

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need for a vehicle for the SRO – it was determined that no extra vehicle would be purchased at this time.

Equipment

EE was contacted last month and asked to contact the school directly for any information about WIFI networks. When Turpen talked to EE they had talked to the school and would let us know when they were ready for the radio, no further contact at this time. Turpen took radio to EE on Thursday, 5/2/24, Steve in Eagle Grove until sometime next week and he will be able to start it then, they will call when done.

Discussion on changing the day and time of police board meetings going forward. Wednesday is not working for all members – one has to work second job every Wednesday. It was proposed to move it back to the first Thursday of the month but leave the time at 700pm. All agreed to this change.

Upcoming events

DEA drug take back Saturday April 27 had only three bags dropped off

School safety training May 1 in Des Moines, good training information was brought back for both school and delivered to them

Stanhope Clean up day May 11 Garage sale day is May 7th

Relays at school is May 8th

May 19 Graduation

Last day of school is now May 30th

Next meeting scheduled for June 6, 2024, at 7:00pm.

City Concerns:

Jewell:

Butler: wondered why the citations/warnings not showing up on stat sheet – unknown will look into it

Walker:

Junk vehicles – wants us to go through town and take pictures and compile list of violations – Yager brought up that in Ellsworth the council members also go through out town and make a list of potential violations

Discussion about yard parking – this was discussed by previous council and dropped Semis and trailers in yard by bus barn

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Ed Mann's property on Collins St – I have talked with the residents there, they moved vehicles off the sidewalk and are taking one truck apart to build another truck and once that is done those vehicles will be removed. Discussion about timeframe vehicles can park on city right of way.

Inquired if clerk of court sent a statement with the fine money as to what it was for. Unknown if they do or not I just see what is provided from clerk, generally.

Ellsworth:

Yager:

Carrasco's dog has been reported running through town again. I did mention I saw a brown and white dog in industrial park one day and it ran back toward town, but I was not able to locate the dog once it got into town. That is their dog.

The Lutheran church is still continuing to work on how they can support human trafficking victims in Ellsworth, potential of having a refuge in town.

Stanhope:

Wirtz:

An ordinance prohibiting alcohol in the city park was located – this will change the previous decision to allow alcohol at the ball game.

Discussed that Mr. Vandivier does not own the house to the south of him, it is currently owned by Jerry Pence, so he should not be putting stuff there. Turpen mentioned that when he spoke with Mr. Vandivier, he was informed that there was an agreement to purchase the property from Mr. Pence.

Zanker:

nothing

Public Comments: no comments from Mr. Rohloff

Motion to adjourn Butler and Walker 2nd, All in favor.

Meeting Adjourned 8:00 pm

David A. Turpen