

Village of Harveysburg

Police Committee

July 11, 2022 – 6:30 PM

Members Present:

- Kim Herberth – Chairwoman
- Mayor Richard Verga
- Charles Juniel
- Mark Tipton
- Richard Pottenger – Police Chief

Absent:

- Leroy Sanders

Village Staff Present:

- Heather Matuszak – Clerk of Council

Visitors / Guests:

- Charles Camp – Harveysburg Resident

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*This is a summary of the meeting of the Harveysburg Police Committee held July 11, 2022, at 6:30 PM.
Upon request, a recording of the meeting is available for review.*
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Chairwoman Kim Herberth called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

Roll Call: Herberth, Tipton, Juniel, Pottenger, Mayor Verga

Motion made by Mr. Juniel to excuse Leroy Sanders. Second by Mr. Tipton. Vote – Herberth, Pottenger, Juniel, Tipton – Aye, Nay – None. Motion passed.

Committee takes a moment to review June 13, 2022 Police Committee Minutes.

Motion made by Ms. Herberth to approve June 13, 2022 Police Committee Minutes. Second by Mr. Tipton. Vote – Herberth, Pottenger, Juniel, Tipton – Aye, Nay – None. Motion passed.

Harveysburg PD report: Chief Pottenger

Chief Pottenger begins his report:

-Vehicle #3 had a battery replaced, a rear tire was going flat and needs to be replaced. We will find out what the cost will be to replace the three remaining tires.

-PD was invited to “Back to School Days” at Sure Foundation on July 23rd at 11am; the PD will host a bike safety program along with the library safety program; Police and Fire vehicles will be there for the kids to explore.

-Radar certification will be scheduled within the next 2 weeks.

-Still citing speeds over 70mph, but we have noticed a significant decrease in how many are speeding recently.

-Currently working on grants for equipment and AEDs.

-We are still waiting on the Basic Code books for 2022.

-There are 2 personnel still on leave.

-There are 4 backgrounds underway, if interviews go well there are 2 possible candidates to introduce to council.

-A valiant effort was made by Officer Cruse to save the life of a citizen from a suicide attempt.

-Officer Cruse has accepted a full-time position with the city of Sabina. He would like to remain on part-time status with Harveysburg PD. After speaking with Mary, Chief Pottenger would like to bring Officer Pearson to paid status and split the previous full-time 40 hours/week between Officer Cruse and Officer Pearson.

Mr. Tipton asks if the Sabina Police Department has a policy regarding one of their officers working for another department. Chief Pottenger states to his knowledge they do not and that Officer Cruse had spoken with their Chief and received permission to continue working part-time for Harveysburg. Mr. Tipton asks if we could get a letter from their Chief stating that he does indeed have permission to be working part-time with us.

Mr. Tipton asks if Officer Cruse would be working weekends when the Renaissance Festival begins. Chief Pottenger states that when Officer Cruse works a weekend during the Renaissance Festival that he will be paid by the Renaissance Festival not the Village and he will also be available to respond to Village calls if needed.

Mrs. Matuszak asks Chief Pottenger if he was aware of the mud run event being held at the Renaissance festival this weekend. He states that he is aware and forgot to mention it.

Ms. Herberth asks Chief Pottenger if he has looked into the OneClaim program yet. Chief Pottenger says he has looked into it, and he has let Ms. Wilkie know what information he needs so he can register.

Ms. Herberth asks if the door lock on Vehicle #3 has been fixed. Chief Pottenger states it has not been fixed. The lock appears as though someone jammed something into it. The quote to repair it was close to \$1k. Other than the fact that it is inconvenient, there is no reason to spend that amount of money to repair it at this time.

Mr. Juniel asks if any of the kids have been identified who broke into the gym. Chief Pottenger states he has not heard an update. Mayor Verga states that he heard Alma Plummer knew who a couple of the kids were and would be attending the meeting tonight. Chief Pottenger states he has not heard that information.

Motion made by Ms. Herberth to adjourn at 6:49pm. Second by Mr. Juniel. All Aye.

Attest:

Heather Matuszak, Clerk of Council

Mayor Richard Verga

Kim Herberth, Chairwoman of Police Committee

Mark Tipton, Member Police Committee

Charles Juniel, Member Police Committee

Richard Pottenger, Police Chief

Leroy Sanders, Member Police Committee