

# Village of Harveysburg

## Police Committee

September 12, 2022 – 6:30 PM

### Members Present:

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

### Absent:

- Leroy Sanders

### Village Staff Present:

- Heather Matuszak – Clerk of Council
- Mary Wilkie – Fiscal Officer

### Visitors / Guests:

- Charles Camp – Harveysburg Resident
- Kevin Martin – Harveysburg Property Owner
- Debbie York – Harveysburg Resident
- Alme Plummer – Harveysburg Historical Society/Resident

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*This is a summary of the meeting of the Harveysburg Police Committee held September 12, 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 6:42pm.

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

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

Members take a moment to review past minutes.

Motion made by Mr. Tipton to approve July 11, 2022 minutes. Second by Mr. Trovillo. Vote – Herberth, Trovillo, Pottenger, Juniel, Tipton – Aye, Nay – None. Motion passed.

Motion made by Mr. Tipton to approve August 8, 2022 minutes. Second by Mr. Juniel. Vote – Herberth, Trovillo, Pottenger, Juniel, Tipton – Aye, Nay – None. Motion passed.

**Harveysburg PD report: Chief Pottenger**

Chief Pottenger begins his report:

- Vehicle #2 required the A/C to be charged. All other vehicles running well.
- There are currently no new hires. We have several background requests in, but none have returned yet.
- The Renaissance Festival open September 3<sup>rd</sup> but had a slow start due to rain. The Haunt will open September 16<sup>th</sup>. The Black School Fall Festival is September 17<sup>th</sup> and Lt. Perkins has been assigned to this event. The road department will post road closed signs on Friday at Wall St. and Old 73.
- We are still citing speeds over 70mph on SR73.
- Jordan Wright still on leave.
- Still looking for approval on \$200 uniform allowance for officers.

Chief Pottenger would like to purchase 3 lockout kits for the vehicles. The current lockout kits aren't complete or have pieces that don't work like they should. They are available for \$65.95/kit at David's Uniform in Dayton. Chief Pottenger asks if 4 kits would be needed so we have an extra kit available at the maintenance garage.

Motion made by Mr. Tipton to recommend to Council that we allocate \$350 for lockout kits. Second by Mr. Juniel. Vote – Herberth, Trovillo, Pottenger, Juniel, Tipton – Aye, Nay – None. Motion passed.

Chief Pottenger states that a combination of rain, no cost parking, and improvements on the turn lane from 73 west resulted in no large backups on SR73 to enter the Renaissance Festival.

Mr. Tipton asks if we ever received a letter from the Sabina Police Chief stating that Officer Cruse is allowed to also work for Harveysburg PD? Chief Pottenger states that we have not. He does not believe we should require one due to Harveysburg having no policy against working at another police department.

Mr. Tipton asks if the OneClaim Program has been completed yet. Chief Pottenger states he has not completed it because there has not been a class that he can get into yet.

Mr. Tipton states, in a previous meeting Mayor Verga stated that Alma Plummer might know who a couple of the kids were who broke into the gym, and he asks if Chief Pottenger followed up with that information? Chief Pottenger responds that he had followed up, but Ms. Plummer did not actually know the names of the kids and just thought she had recognized them as being from the area.

Chief Pottenger states he has been trying to keep a better watch on the Black School and have his officers' complete extra patrols. He states he did notice the other day that the door was missing to the outhouse. When he spoke with someone, they told him it was being repaired after someone pried or kicked the door in. Guest Alma Plummer states they have purchased cameras, but they have not been put up yet.

Mr. Trovillo asks if officers are supposed to be checking over their vehicles before the beginning of their shift? Chief Pottenger states that they are supposed to be checking their vehicles.

Mr. Trovillo states that he often sees the officers and they are not checking their vehicles. He has only seen one officer who has raised the hood on a vehicle to check oil. Chief Pottenger states he will address this with his officers since they should be checking their vehicles.

Motion made by Ms. Herberth to adjourn at 6:58pm. Second by Mr. Juniel. All Aye.

Attest:

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Heather Matuszak, Clerk of Council

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Mayor Richard Verga

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Kim Herberth, Chairwoman of Police Committee

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Mark Tipton, Member Police Committee

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Charles Juniel, Member Police Committee

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Richard Pottenger, Police Chief

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Leroy Sanders, Member Police Committee

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Phil Trovillo, Member Police Committee