

Village of Harveysburg

Police Committee

December 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:

- Mary Wilkie – Fiscal Officer

Visitors / Guests:

- Charles Camp – Harveysburg Resident

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This is a summary of the meeting of the Harveysburg Police Committee held December 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 6:30pm.

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

Harveysburg PD report: Chief Pottenger

Chief Pottenger begins his report:

Chief Pottenger received a settlement from the insurance company and will let Mr. Kirby look over it before he signs and sends it back.

-One more weekend of Yuletide Village

-There are 2 grants he will be working on. One is a retention and new employee grant that must be submitted by December 17th. It would give us up to 2 people that we can sponsor through academy and pay them up to 2 years after they graduate academy. At the end of 2 years, it would require us to continue with their salaries. It will also give us money to give current officers a raise. The second grant is for equipment and vehicles. He would apply for a new vehicle, AEDs and other various equipment.

-Ohio Basic Code books for 2023. It will cost us an additional \$300 because we skipped a year.

-There are no new applicants.

-The New officer is doing well in training and expects him to be ready by the first of the year.

Mayor Verga asks if the insurance settlement was acceptable. Chief Pottenger states that the settlement amount is \$24,351 and the total cost of the vehicle was \$54,000.

Chief Pottenger adds that the person he has set to remove equipment can only remove the electronics. He will need to find someone else to remove the remainder of the equipment. If we get a new vehicle, he will ask for some equipment to be installed at the same time we order the vehicle. The insurance company will pick up the vehicle once it has been stripped.

Mr. Tipton asks if Chief Pottenger will consider a bid for someone to remove the equipment. He says he will as long as whoever removes the equipment does not cut wires.

Chief Pottenger states the strobe lights, siren, radio, laptop, laptop mount and antenna need to come out of the cruiser.

Mr. Tipton asks if we have Officer Perkins accident report and drug test results. Chief Pottenger states we have the accident report and Officer Perkins did not take a drug test. Chief Pottenger states he did not think about it that night and the fault is his that Officer Perkins did not take one. Mr. Tipton states that two years ago Council passed that any employee of the Village must take a drug test after any accident.

Mayor Verga asks if there is a damage assessment yet. Chief Pottenger states we do not have one yet. There isn't enough damage on the cruiser to need fixed, but we will likely have to pay to replace the bumper on the other vehicle.

Mrs. Wilkie still needs the missing WEX gas receipts. Chief Pottenger will have them for her tomorrow. To date, the Village has saved \$250 for road and police by using WEX.

Mr. Tipton states he did receive access to Lexipol, but he hasn't had time to look through it all yet.

Chief Pottenger states he is working on completing all forms for policies in Lexipol.

Mr. Trovillo asks if there are first aid kits in the cruisers. Chief Pottenger states he needs to update the first aid kits in all the vehicles.

Mr. Tipton asks if the December schedule is ready. Chief Pottenger states he does have the officer schedule for December.

Mr. Trovillo asks if we need another cruiser. Chief Pottenger states he thinks we do need another cruiser. The grant cruiser was the one that was totaled.

The Police Committee does not agree with the settlement amount proposed by the insurance company.

Motion made by Ms. Herberth to adjourn at 6:53pm. 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

Phil Trovillo, Member Police Committee