

# VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE

Walworth County, WI

## Protection Committee

Monday, August 17, 2015

(Official Minutes)

The monthly meeting of the Protection Committee was called to order at 4:00 pm on August 17, 2015 by Chairman Dave Prudden.

**Committee Members Present:** Chairman Prudden, Trustee Petersen, Bob Allen, Joe Corso

**Committee Members Absent:** Robert Moravecek, Jim Frost, Phil Costa

**Also Present:** Clerk Theresa Linneman, Fire Chief Wolfgang Nitsch, Police Chief Steve Olson

### Visitors Heard

None

### Approval of Minutes for Meeting Held June 22, 2015

Trustee Petersen/Joe Corso 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to approve the minutes from June 22, 2015 as presented, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

### General Business

None

### Fire/Rescue Department

#### **Monthly Report**

The monthly Fire/EMS report was submitted by Fire and Rescue Dept. Chief Wolfgang Nitsch. There have been 86 calls for service between June 1, 2015 and August 16, 2015, and 157 calls for service this year.

#### **Fatal Fire Report**

Chief Nitsch provided a comprehensive overview of the events leading up to and following the fatal house fire that occurred on Friday, August 14, 2015 at 919 Juneau Drive. Nitsch said the fire is still under investigation by Walworth County and the Wisconsin Division of Criminal Investigation. More information will be available once the investigations are complete. Corso stated the first responders and those who helped on scene should be commended for their bravery and heroism.

#### **Discuss Making Duty Crew Associate Members of the Department for Training Purposes**

Chief Nitsch requested an ordinance amendment to allow Paratech's duty crew members to become associate members of the Fontana Fire Department. By permitting Paratech's staff to become associate members, it would help facilitate the cohesiveness of the department and would allow them to train in the evenings with the rest of the fire department. There are four Paratech employees that are considered duty crew members and training is held one evening per month. The associate members would also then be covered under the village's Workman's Compensation insurance.

Trustee Petersen/Joe Corso made a MOTION to recommend Village Board approval to adopt an Associate Members Ordinance and direct staff to work with the village attorney to draft the ordinance, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

### Police Department

#### **Monthly Report**

The monthly report was submitted and an overview provided by Police Chief Steve Olson. Notable items include that there have been three fatalities recently, which is rare, but has

demonstrated the solidarity between departments. There was an issue at the Abbey Resort that involved a Service Monkey. The Fontana Safety Building is one of several locations where citizens can drop off school supplies for families in need. Olson addressed the issues being raised about drones and said he expects the topic will be addressed in the near future as it becomes more of a concern. He also stated he has begun working on next year's budget which will include a rotational purchase of a new squad car.

**Positive Police Officer Engagement Program Proposal (Gift Cards) – Trustee Spadoni**

Trustee Spadoni requested the placement of the Positive Police Officer Engagement Program on several meeting agendas. He was not in attendance at the meeting, therefore no proposal was made.

Trustee Petersen/Robert Allen 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to permanently deny the request of the Positive Police Officer Engagement Program (Gift Cards) submitted by Trustee Spadoni, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

**Set Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting date was scheduled for Monday, September 21, 2015 beginning at 4:00 pm.

**Adjournment**

Bob Allen/Joe Corso 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 4:27 pm, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Theresa Linneman, Village Clerk

Note: These minutes are subject to further editing. Once approved by the Lakefront and Harbor Committee, the official minutes will be kept on file at the Village Hall.

APPROVED: 09/29/15