

JUNE 29, 2009
PROTECTION COMMITTEE MINUTES

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Note: These minutes are subject to further editing. Once approved by the Protection Committee the official minutes will be on file at the Police Department.

APPROVED: _____

The Protection Committee was called to order at 5:00 P.M. by President Petersen. Present were: President Petersen, Bob Allen, Gene Dymek, Gregg Blizard, Rick Pappas and George Spadoni. Also present were Police Chief Olson, Fire Chief Nitsch, EMS Chief Kemmett and Tom Westphal.

July meeting date was set for July 20, 2009 at 5:00 P.M.

No operator licenses for review.

New Business: Tom Westphal and Chief Nitsch. Westphal discussed a rebate plan from the power company for exchanging the present lighting in the PSB truck bay area for florescent lighting. He presented a worksheet from P/W Director, Craig Workman, showing costs and potential savings. Discussion followed. Westphal was asking for recommendations for the change-over if funding is available. (Approximately \$4,000.00) Chief Kemmett discussed an alternate plan. President Petersen asked that the three departments get together to determine the needs of the building and bring those recommendations to the committee in July.

No Parking on Reid Street between Third and Kinzie: Discussion followed. Chief Olson asked for a recommendation to the Board for "No parking at any time on the west side of Reid Street between Third and Kinzie". *** MOTION Allen / 2nd Pappas. Motion Carried Unanimously

Police Department Report: Chief Olson

Olson reported the armed robberies in the area have ended due to the arrest of several suspects. Officer Cates investigated a burglary and was able to make an arrest following his within hours.

Fire Department: Chief Nitsch

Nitsch reported the Tracy house burn finally happened with 8 departments taking part in the practice. Walworth Township Proposal: Nitsch reported the draft proposal from Walworth Township included an overview of "Zone 2" for Fontana. Discussion followed. Trustee Spadoni asked that Walworth Township first submit a formal proposal to the Fire Department outlining what their needs are and what they would expect to pay for the services. The Protection Committee could then proceed from there. President Petersen agreed that more information is needed.

EMS: Chief Kemmett

Reported the calls to date are down approximately 40% from last year.

Paid on Premise; Delavan Rescue Squad Proposal: Chief Kemmett, reviewed the proposal saying this would have no financial impact on Fontana. No paid on premise decisions have been made due to the Walworth Township pending proposal for extended coverage by the Village of Fontana services.

Committee Member, Pappas, discussed the protocol/practice of squad cars entering subdivisions without lights and sirens when responding to calls. Discussion.

MOTION to adjourn at 5:30 P.M. Blizard/ 2nd Dymek. Motion Carried Unanimously

