

**PROTECTION COMMITTEE MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 15, 2007**

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APPROVED: _____

The Protection Committee was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by President Pollitt at the Fontana Safety Building.

Roll Call: Present were, President Pollitt, Bob Allen, Michelle Teale, Ralph O'Connell, and George Spadoni. Absent, Dave Eshoo, Mike Van Dyke and Patricia Goff.

Also Present, representing Chief Kemmett was Tom Westphal, Police Chief Olson, Lt Buchholz, Trustee O'Connell, Officer Mark Chalchoff and Bob Brown.

General Business;

NEV-CAR: (Neighborhood Electric Vehicle) Bob Brown passed out copies of the State Statue re: NEV vehicles and also the Mt. Horeb ordinance as an example of village / city ordinances regarding NEV Vehicles. Bob Brown was asking for a recommendation from the Protection Committee to the Village Board to consider a resolution allowing the use of NEV-Cars in the Village of Fontana. Discussion followed.

Teale/Allen 2nd Motion to table until October Protection Committee meeting. Motion carried.

Mill Street Parking: Tom Schwalie and Mike Puttrich asked for a resolution to the limited parking on Mill Street during the winter months from 2:00 A.M. to 6:00 A.M. Discussion followed.

***O'Connell / Pollitt 2nd MOTION to designate Mill Street and post signage stating "Snow Route" after 2" snowfall.

Roll Call Vote: Pollitt, Yes / Bob Allen, Yes / Michelle Teale, Yes / Ralph O'Connell / George Spadoni (Advisory) Yes. Motion Carried.

Camping Ordinance: Discussion followed.

Allen / O'Connell 2nd MOTION to make no changes in the Village Ordinance and the Police Department would continue with its present policy using discretion and enforcing the present ordinance with the intent of the ordinance being the main consideration.

Motion carried unanimously

Limited Time Parking at Post Office: Discussion followed

Teale / O'Connell 2nd MOTION to table until Chief Olson and Lt Buchholz could meet with Post Master to clarify needs. Motion carried unanimously

Parking Citation Collection: Chief Olson explained the reasoning behind changes to parking ticket collections practice. (See Attached) Discussion followed, which included a reading of a letter sent to board members by Administrator Hayden-Staggs.

Pollitt / O'Connell 2nd MOTION to make no changes to the present system except that it would be also be published in the Village News Letter and communicate better with Village Hall in the future. Roll Call Vote: Pollitt; yes, Allen; yes, Teale; yes, O'Connell; yes, Spadoni (Advisory) yes. Motion carried unanimously

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT (Tom Westphal) Report Attached

With the exception of an increase in drill pay, there are no changes to the budget being submitted.

Approval of Fire Officers: Westphal will provide a list of all new Fire Department election results to be submitted to the Village Board for approval, who in turn will submit to the Police & Fire Commission for approval.

***Allen / Teale 2nd MOTION to recommend to the Village Board the approval of officers, by the Protection Committee. Motion carried unanimously

Special events include fire prevention week at the grade school next month and preparations are under way. The "Smoke House" will be on premise for teaching purposes.

Engine 3720 did not sell on E-Bay and another attempt will be made.

In his monthly report Chief Kemmett expressed the need for a resolution to the problem of a lack of training area for Fire and EMS. President Pollitt said Chief Kemmett should meet with P/W to discuss changes and possible options in training area locations and report back to the Protection Committee.

Chief Kemmett is also asking for a date to discuss the "Needs Study". President Pollitt said Chief Kemmett should schedule a date for discussion at his earliest convenience.

EMS REPORT (Tom Westphal) Submitted by Chief Kemmett

No changes proposed for the 2008 budget. See attached report.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT (Chief Olson)

Chief Olson submitted his budget proposal. Discussion followed. Trustee O'Connell expressed concerns regarding the item of education for officers. President Pollitt said these are issues for the union negotiations. Chief Olson also submitted a Wage Comparison Survey for Chief of Police and the Lieutenants in the area. Following discussion;

***Teale / O'Connell 2nd MOTION to recommend to the Finance Committee to include wage adjustments for the Chief and Lt. for 2008. Motion carried unanimously

CSO Extended Term: Chief Olson asked additional hours for the Community Service Officer to fill vacant hours due to the Administrative Assistants scheduled vacation hours during September and October. There are monies left in the salaries budget that would cover the cost.

O'Connell / Allen 2nd MOTION to extend his payroll hours by approximately 100 hours at the rate of \$10.00 per hour. Motion carried unanimously

October Protection Committee meeting date is set for October 20, 2007 at 9:00 A.M.

O'Connell / Allen 2nd MOTION to adjourn at 11:00 A.M. Motion carried unanimously