

**PROTECTION COMMITTEE MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 16, 2008**

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APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

The Protection Committee was called to order at 9:05 A.M. by President Pollitt at the Fontana Safety Building.

**Roll Call:** Present: President Pollitt, Dave Eshoo, Patricia Goff, Michelle Teale, Gene Dymek and George Spadoni. Bob Allen arrived at 9:10 A.M.

Absent: Mike Van Dyke.

Also present were; Fire Chief Jon Kemmett, Lt. Buchholz for Police Chief Steve Olson.

President Pollitt introduced and welcomed the new member of the Protection Committee, Gene Dymek.

**Approval of Minutes:** Teale / 2<sup>nd</sup> Eshoo MOTION to approve the minutes of January, 2008. Motion Carried.

**Set March Protection Committee Date:** March meeting is set for March 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.

**Fire Department Report (Jon Kemmett) Attached**

**Engine Update:** Chief Kemmett reported he and Tom Westphal just returned from their "Pre-Paint Inspection" of the new fire engine in South Dakota. They are projecting 4-6 weeks to delivery so Jon expects the truck to arrive approximately mid to late March.

Chief Kemmett reported 5 calls between Jan 20 and Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> and one call for a gas leak on Brickley Drive.

MABAS Wisconsin is now in use to take the place of the formerly used Illinois MABAS. The contract has been created and is ready to be signed. The Village of Fontana now must adopt the Wisconsin agreement. MABAS is the Multi-Box Alarm System. Recommendation for approval was tabled pending the review and discussion at the March Protection Committee meeting. Village of Fontana is presently covered for mutual aid under the Illinois contract.

**New Ordinance Discussion:** This is in reference to the operation of the Fire Department. Tabled to March 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**EMS Report (Jon Kemmett)**

Chief Kemmett reported 14 runs to date. Several members are in the process of re-certification at the moment.

**Rescue Boat Loan for the FDIC Show:**

The manufacturer of the water rescue boat has asked for the loan of the boat for the FDIC (Fire Department Instructors Conference). In exchange for the loan of the boat, they have agreed to make changes to the boat, which would include changes in the seating area and electronic installations (approximately in the thousands of dollars) at no cost to the EMS. If approved, the boat would probably leave the Fontana Safety Building on April 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> and return on April 12<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup>. The members (EMS) have agreed to the loan of the boat pending approval of the Protection Committee. Eshoo / 2<sup>nd</sup> Goff MOTION to approve loan of the boat subject to proof of insurance and promised work done in advance of the loan of the boat. Motion Carried.

**Police Department Report: (Lt. Brad Buchholz)**

**NEV Ordinance:** Lt Buchholz handed out packets of similar ordinances for other Wisconsin communities. President Pollitt gave a brief overview of past discussions regarding NEV (Neighborhood Electric Vehicles). Bob Allen asked for a Restrictions Proposal from the Police Department for the March meeting. (For example; use on bike or hike trails) Tabled.

**Request by Carroll Whowell for Winter Parking Waiver:** (Tabled from January meeting) Because Carroll Whowell was not present, George Spadoni asked Gail to contact Carroll Whowell for the March meeting. Pollitt / 2<sup>nd</sup> Goff MOTION to table until the March meeting. Motion Carried.

George Spadoni spoke about a phone service that the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee has implemented to alert cell phone holders / subscribers of emergencies in the immediate area. Jon Kemmett said the County presently uses a “Code Red” service or Reverse 911 that notifies residences of emergencies in the area. This service does not include cell phone numbers. Bob Allen said he would speak to a friend of his, Jay Rich, who is familiar with the system and would be able to attend an informational meeting. George Spadoni said he would look into the program also.

President Pollitt asked that, should he not be at the next Protection Committee meeting, he would like the committee to elect a Pro tem at the meeting.

Eshoo / 2<sup>nd</sup> Pollitt MOTION to adjourn at 10:05 A.M. Motion Carried.