

MARCH 15, 2010
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 4:00 PM by President Petersen.
Roll Call: Present were, President Petersen, Bob Allen, Michelle Teale, Gregg Blizard, and Rick Pappas. Also present were Chiefs Nitsch, Kemmett and Olson and Trustee O'Connell.
Absent were; Dave Eshoo, Gene Dymek and George Spadoni.

Gregg Blizard moved to approve the minutes of January 2010, 2nd by Michelle Teale. Motion passed unanimously.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- The April Protection Committee meeting date and time were set for April 19th at 4:00 PM.
- No visitors to be heard.
- Amendment to Ordinance 42-42 (Dangerous Weapons) Chief Olson said he has amended the ordinance to separate the Carrying of Firearms from Dangerous Weapons and he has included his recommendation giving the Village the authority to prohibit the carrying of firearms concealed or not in public buildings and public places, such as parks, beaches, etc. This was done to comply with state law. To carry in plain view is legal unless otherwise posted on private property. Following discussion, MOTION by Pappas/2nd Allen to recommend to the Village Board to amend Ord. 42-42 to conform to State Statute and to include the two changes by Chief Olson. Motion passed unanimously.
- Adopting S.S. 101.123 (Smoking Prohibited) a new state law, which goes into effect July 5th, bans smoking in all public places. Chief Olson will contact all establishments in Fontana and inform them of their duties on their property and to educate their employees. The Village Board will have to establish the fine for violation of the ordinance. A range for the fine is provided by the State. MOTION by Pappas / 2nd by Teale to adopt S.S. 101.123. Motion passed unanimously.
- Approval of Operators License for Tim Wedell. MOTION to approve by Teale / 2nd by Blizard. Motion passed unanimously.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Nitsch reported one chimney fire for the period. He also reported the FFD assist to the fire in Delavan of Mulligan's. No Fontana firefighters were injured in the assist.
Chief Nitsch also reported an assist to Walworth County with a motor vehicle accident at Hwy 67 and F.

EMS REPORT

Chief Kemmett reported 32 runs to date, which is comparable to the same time last year.
The date for the Annual Pancake Breakfast has been officially set for July 3rd, from 7:00 AM to 10:30 AM at St. Benedicts Church. Chief Kemmett suggested shared advertising for the event with the Village for other week-end events.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Olson reported the PD has 4 bicycles in the property room and one or two PD bikes that he would like to either sell on E-Bay or give to a local charity. The department would retain one, possibly two of the police bikes for patrol this summer. MOTION by Blizard / 2nd by Teale to donate the bikes to charity, providing there are no legal reasons that would prohibit the donation of the bicycles. Motion passed unanimously.
Chief Olson said Tony Aranda, will be returning for summer as the CSO. The Village Board has already approved his hiring.
Chief Olson gave an outline of his plans on summer patrols with the reduce LTE staff.

MOTION: Teale / 2nd Pappas to adjourn at 4:25 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

