

# VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE

Walworth County, WI

## Protection Committee

Monday, December 16, 2019

(Official Minutes)

The monthly meeting of the Protection Committee was called to order at 5:00 pm on Monday, December 16, 2019 by Chairman Dave Prudden.

**Committee Members Present:** Chairman Prudden, Trustee Petersen, Robert Moravecsek, Joe Corso, Mark Gerard

**Committee Members Absent:** Jim Frost, Jim Carroll

**Also, Present:** Fire and Rescue Dept. Chief Wolfgang Nitsch, Police Chief Jeff Cates, Scott Peterson, Jon Kemmett, Stephanie Klug, Theresa Loomer, Roy Hansen, Jack Brown, Carol Whowell

### Approval of Minutes for Meeting June 17, 2019

Corso/Moravecsek 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to approve the minutes from June 17, 2019 as presented, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

### Visitors Heard

None

### General Business for Consideration

A meeting was held on Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup> with the FGM Architects to discuss and consider some concepts for a new Public Safety Building. Different concepts were brought up, one being a combined facility that would include Police, Fire, Village Hall, and Library. Another being a new Public Safety Building in the existing location. The concepts were passed around for everyone to view, and more information will follow.

### Fire/Rescue Department

The monthly report was emailed out, and there were no questions on it. Scott Peterson wanted to discuss the issue of fire codes that are not being followed with some of the new commercial builds in Fontana. When Peterson does fire inspections on these properties, he is finding that some codes are not being abided by. One of the codes that is getting overlooked is NFPA 13, which covers all sprinkler systems. He is looking to have some communication between the Building & Zoning Department and the Fire Department when new commercial plans are submitted.

Trustee Prudden/Corso 2<sup>nd</sup> made a Motion to recommend Village Administrator, Theresa Loomer, to discuss the current fire prevention codes with Dale Thorpe, Village Attorney, to see who should be enforcing the fire codes and what if anything needs to change, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

### Police Department

#### **Monthly Report**

Chief Cates passed around a call summary showing all calls the Police have been on since our last meeting of June 17, 2019.

### Academy Sponsorship for Future Applicants, Particularly current CSO John Reborn

Chief Cates stated that the current cost for the Police Academy runs between \$5,000 and \$6,000. If the Village were to sponsor an individual through the Academy, in return the Village would expect a certain number of hours worked. CSO, John Reborn expressed interest in this, but has since determined that he would need to work full time and the Village would not have a full-time position open when he finished the Academy. Cates stated that the need for this right now is not needed but is going to look into it more to possibly put in place later.

**Open Intox Ordinance Amendment**

Chief Cates wanted to discuss the idea of changing the current ordinance and making it the lakefront area. Jack Brown, from Chuck's stated that by setting an area or line that people not going to know where the actual area is and wouldn't make a difference. Carol Whowell, from Chuck's was also concerned about the noise. The noise was an issue in the past and feels that it would just start that issue again.

**Outdoor Dining Hours Amendment**

Chief Cates suggested changing the current outdoor dining hours, which are 10:00 A.M to 11:00 P.M, to hours of operation. This would require the businesses to set hours that customers could be outdoors with their drinks, and the business would enforce those hours themselves.

Corso/Moravec 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to recommend Chief Cates, to submit the existing ordinance with changes at the next meeting, January, 20, 2020, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

**Set Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting date was scheduled for Monday, January 20, 2020 beginning at 5:00 pm

**Adjournment**

Corso/Trustee Petersen 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 pm, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by Stephanie Klug

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

APPROVED: 07-20-2020