

# HOLMEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## Village of Holmen Law Enforcement Committee August 8, 2023

The meeting of the Holmen Law Enforcement Committee was held Tuesday August 8, 2023, in the Village Hall.

Chair Rodney Stanek called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Present at the meeting: Committee members Rodney Stanek, Dawn Kulcinski, and Doug Jorstad. Also in attendance were President Patrick Barlow, Administrator Scott Heinig, Chief Shane Collins, Officer Aaron Hintz and Paul Sobkowiak.

<u>Approval of Minutes:</u> Dawn Kulcinski and Doug Jorstad motioned to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2023 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Public Comment:**

Paul Sobkowiak was at the meeting tonight to see if there was going to be any talk on the ATV ordinance and if anything was going to be decided. Paul didn't see anything on the agenda but saw additional items and was wondering if anything would be discussed here. Administrator Heinig advised there was going to be nothing discussed tonight. Heinig advised we would be waiting to see what the County was doing with their ATV ordinance. Paul advised they would help with fundraising for signs and maps if an ordinance was passed.

**Present Monthly Activity:** The Committee reviewed all monthly activity.

**<u>Present Monthly Claims:</u>** The Committee reviewed monthly claims.

<u>Municipal Court Update:</u> Administrator Heinig advised Judge Huesmann would be leaving municipal court and going to circuit court and there was a vacancy. Heinig advised and ad was put out to fill this vacancy with little response. Heinig advised the new judge would need to go to judge school also and the committee decided a temporary judge would be appointed which will be Judge Marco until the election is held.

### Discussion 2024 Budget

Collins advised some of his line items would need to increased with the recent new hires. Collins advised for the capital items he would be looking at new in-car cameras and body cameras from Axon. Collins advised we talked about the issues with WatachGuard at prior meetings. Collins advised we had three hard drives go down and it has taken WatchGuard two to three months to even respond to our request to get a new one. Collins advised the customer service is lacking and there is minimal communication with them now. The parts are not readily available for the cameras as well.

Collins advised the Axon would cost \$301,093.36. Collins advised Lt. Cody Spears obtained a grant for \$34,000.00 which brings down the price to \$267,093.35. Collins advised Axon has a five-year payment plan and the year 2024 we would pay \$100,000 and the next four years we would pay \$41,773.38 each yr.

Heining advised this is rare for a company to let you pay this in five years with no interest cost and that by having this type of payment option will work. Heinig also explained to the committee that we would need to go ahead and order this item now as there is a waiting list and the longer we wait the longer this list will be. Heinig advised the waiting list was six to eight months. Committee unanimously agreed to order the cameras now.

Doug Jorstad asked the same question about Tahoe and if we would need to order this early as well. Heinig advised Collins has been on top of this and the order will probably need to be in early as well. Collins advised the order for the Tahoe will need to be in by September.

Collins advised the Tahoe and outfitting the Tahoe would cost around \$70,000.00. Heinig advised since we had the payment option for the camera's we would still be able to obtained a Tahoe.

Collins advised the copier is getting old and would possibly looking to upgrade the copier with a cost of \$9579.99.

Collins advised the next items would be ten Halligan with a sledge hammer attached and also ten ballistic shields. Collins advised he just has one Halligan bar and one shield in the garage to be shared among everyone. Collins advised the officer who takes this item could be tied up on another call and not be able to be used. Collins advised he would like to get one in each vehicle. The cost of the Halligan with sledge hammer would be \$3500.00 and the cost of the ballistic shields would be \$16,250.00. This cost would be for ten of each item. Dawn Kulcinski asked how many vehicles we had. I advised we have nine on patrol but twelve total cars. I advised my vehicle and Lt. Spear's vehicle would not be outfitted with one.

Collins stated with the new officers being added the workload in the front office has increased and would be looking at adding a part-time Admin Assistant.

Daug Jorstad asked if this compared with years past. Heinig advised the capital was up about \$40,000 compared to last year.

#### **Additional Items**

Collins advised he would not be using \$6500 in the capital this year and wanted to get the committees blessing to use this money elsewhere. Collins advised this money was going to be used to purchase equipment for an ERT member of our department but is not anymore. Collins advised he would like to purchase two additional rifles and set them up with higher profile scopes along with additional steal targets that could be used in everyday training. Heinig advised since it was under the \$10,000 threshold he could authorize this but wanted the committees blessing to do so. Committee unanimously agreed to the purchase of this equipment.

<u>Adjourn</u> Doug Jorstad and Rod Stanek motion to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. Meeting ended at 6:45pm.

Minutes By Shane Collins
Chief of Police