



# HOLMEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## Village of Holmen Law Enforcement Committee March 5, 2019

The meeting of the Holmen Law Enforcement Committee was held Tuesday March 5, 2019 in the Village Hall board room.

Chair Dawn Kulcinski called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

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

**Approval of Minutes** Rodney Stanek and Doug Jorstad motioned to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2018, meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment** Patrick Barlow urged the committee to approve or positive recommend the sexting ordinance. Barlow advised having sexting ordinance is another layer of education or punishment by a fine not a felony offense.

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

**Present Monthly Claims** The Committee reviewed monthly claims.

**Municipal Court Update** No meeting was held.

**Discussion/Possible Action Recommendation on down payment for K9** Collins stated this is not a budgeted item. Collins advised K9 Ori has about a year to a year and a half left for service. Collins advised the new K9 would cost \$14,000.00 from Working K9 Kennel out of Canada. Collins advised he has chosen this kennel because this kennel only raises six dogs a year. Working K9 interacts his dogs with his children and with his co-workers children. Collins advised if we bring a dog from overseas like Ori you do not know how the dog was treated and a lot of the dogs are chained up until they are old enough to be trained. Collins advised Working K9 starts interacting with the dogs when they are little and starts training when they are ten weeks old. When the dogs reach 18 months the Holmen K9 handler along with the Holmen decoy will travel to pick up the dog and take a one week training course with the new dog and the original handler. Collins advised this is a more cost effective way than what we did prior with Ori and Officer Kind. Collins advised we have three experienced K9 handlers on the department and we do not need to send them away for a month to be trained. Collins advised a down payment of \$2000 will be needed to secure the

new K9 and in about sixteen months the final \$12,000.00 upon pick up of the K9. Collins advised he has been talking with the Holmen Rotary for funding the K9. The Rotary advised they would have \$7000.00 for the new K9 and would be talking to other organization for additional funding. Heinig advised the \$2000.00 down payment would come from the reserves or unknown sources. Heinig advised the rest of the money for the K9 would be a capital item next year. Motion by Stanek second by Jorstad to recommend to the board approval on the purchase of the down payment for the new K9 from Working K9 in the amount of \$2000.00.

**Possible Action and Recommendation on Sexting by Minors Ordinance** Collins advised this was the same ordinance from last month. Collins advised this ordinance has not been changed and bring it to the committee for their approval to the board. Rodney Stanek advised he had many comments from friends and neighbors for the ordinance. Stanek advised no on new the present law that it was a felony and stuck with them the rest of their life. Stanek stated this ordinance holds people accountable and gives the department a second option. Doug Jorstad stated he approves of the ordinance as this gives something besides a felony charge. Doug Jorstad and Rodney Stanek motioned to approval pending outcome of public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

**Additional Information** Collins advised they conducted a search warrant along with La Crosse County Emergency Response team on South Locust Avenue which dealt with a gun and methamphetamine. Collins advised the new squad cameras are now in the vehicles. Collins advised they just finished the physical agility portion of the hiring process and the interviews will be on March 28. Collins also advised Rich Fonstad passed away. Rich was an Officer with the Holmen Police Department from 1966-1988. Holmen Police Department would conduct casket watch at the visitation and funeral services along with being pall bearers for the funeral. Rich also had 25 years with the Holmen Fire Department.

**Adjourn** Doug Jorstad and Rodney Stanek motioned to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. Meeting ended 6:25pm.

Minutes By Shane Collins, Chief of Police

