# OCTOBER 7, 2019 PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES CITY OF EDGERTON

Jim Burdick called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Committee members present were Jim Burdick, Anne Radtke, and David Esau. Also present were Police Chief Robert Kowalski, City Administrator Ramona Flanigan, and citizen Matt McIntyre.

Chief Kowalski confirmed the agendas were properly posted on Friday, October 4, 2019 at the Post Office, Edgerton Library and City Hall.

### **APPROVAL OF PUBLIC SAFETY MINUTES:**

A Radtke/Esau motion to approve the August 19, 2019 Public Safety Committee meeting minutes passed, all voted in favor.

### **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER 2020 BUDGET ITEMS:**

Chief Kowalski stated he would like to purchase a 2019 Dodge Durango which is roughly \$4,000 more than the previously purchased Dodge Chargers. Chief Kowalski said the Durango handles better in the snow and allows more room for the officers and equipment. The squad that was sold ended up selling for more than anticipated.

Chief Kowalski stated he would like to budget to have the Police Department wired for a temporary generator connection in the event of a long-term power outage. He would like to also explore solar power panels with battery backup as a temporary fix until the generator arrives. This would be more cost effective than purchasing a generator since we can receive a generator from our insurance company.

Chief Kowalski stated in his evaluation of the police station, there is a need for a prisoner bench to secure a prisoner when being interviewed, a handgun locker to secure weapons when a prisoner is in the station, a monitor in the squad room to be able to see people come in and out, LED notification lights to identify when a prisoner is in the station this way officers would know when a prisoner is in the station before they enter the building, updated computers and electrical in squad room, and painting of the police station.

A Esau/Burdick motion to recommend to Council the purchase of a 2019 Dodge Durango, passed, on a 2/1 roll call vote. Radtke voted against the motion.

A Radtke/Esau motion to recommend to Council budgeting for the backup generator information, passed, on a 3/0 roll call vote.

A Esau/Radtke motion to recommend to Council the police station safety upgrades with the amendment from two LED notification lights to one light, passed, on a 3/0 roll call vote.

# **DISCUSS INSTALLATION OF SPEED HUMPS:**

Chief Kowalski stated he received a \$4,000 grant to purchase speed humps on York Road. The speed humps will be removed once there is a snow fall. They will work with the Fire Department to inform them of the location of the speed humps and there will also be speed hump signs alerting drivers.

# **POLICE CHIEFS REPORT:**

Chief Kowalski stated that Officer Fellmeth is now patrolling on his own and the department is fully staffed.

Being no other business before the Public Safety Committee, a Radtke/Esau motion to adjourn passed, all voted in favor.

Robert Kowalski/lno Police Chief