Village of Winneconne

Public Safety Committee

Minutes July 1st, 2019 3:00pm

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm by Chair Brenda Kubasta. Present were: Trustee Brenda Kubasta, Trustee Steve Foster, Trustee Jackie Kasubaski and Police Chief Paul Olson. Village Administrator David Porter joined after a few minutes.

Public Participation: None

Communications: None

Motion by Kasubaski second by Kubasta to approve June 3rd, 2019 minutes all ayes.

Staff Reports:

- Hired Zach Schultz for part time position, explained that he was an 8yr veteran with the Fond du Lac Police and recently took a job with Michael’s Construction in security. He will be moving with his family to Winneconne.
- Officer George Beattie is attending the recruit academy and will be there until October. All is going well so far.
- A search warrant was conducted for a drug arrest in early June. Officer Sorensen did much of the work on this and did an excellent job.
- Several thefts from vehicles in June were reported. Lt. Sauriol did an excellent job making the necessary arrests with these thefts.
- Sovereign State Days personnel—Friday night (1 FT officer, 2 PT officers), Parade (1 FT officer, Chief, 1 PT officer), Saturday night (1 FT officer, 1 PT officer)
- Marble Park – Historical Society Encampment—We will be monitoring this area with the regular patrol officer

Statistics: (through the 25th of the month)—MDC down for several days

Incidents—1088 Citations—36 (14 Ordinance, 19 traffic) Warnings—16 Traffic Stops—45

Ordinances—31 Disturbances—4 Animal—6 Motorist assist—1 Welfare check—2

Reckless Driver—2 Theft—4 Suspicious person/incident—15 Alcohol—1 OWI—0 Drugs—2 Parking—38 (19 tickets)

Open doors—21 Juvenile—3 Accident—3 Harassment—1 Damage—0 Alarm—2 Fire Calls—2

Noise/Neighbor Problem—0

Hazard—7 Fraud—1 Med Assist—3 Building checks—712 Community Policing—94
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Assists total (general)—47  Assist Omro—10  Assist County Sheriff—14 Other Agencies—6 (Green Lake, Waushara, OPD, Appleton)

Building checks to Municipal Water Facilities— 97 (203 S 3rd St, 90 Tower Road, 410 Meadow Lane, 300 Washington)

Calls to the schools: 6 (hours)

Elementary School: 4 Juvenile, 1 Welfare

Middle School: 1 Assist

High School: 0

** Highlights**

On May 24th at approximately 4:20p Officer Sorensen attempted to stop a vehicle on W. Main Street and finally stopped this vehicle on 116/B. The reason why the vehicle was stopped was the driver was operating with a revoked license. Officer Sorensen could smell an odor of marijuana from the vehicle. Eventually after seeing baggies of shake marijuana on the floor and the party being on Probation a small amount of marijuana was found and tested positive for THC. The subject was cited for possession of marijuana.

On June 6th at approximately 11:30an Officer Sorensen along with Lt. Sauriol, Officer Honer and two Omro Officers conducted a search warrant on a residence in the Village of Winneconne. All the evidence that produced this search warrant had been accumulating for some time. Such evidence was eventually turning over to the Judge in the form of an affidavit which was signed by the Judge. During this search 2 individuals were arrested and transported to jail on multiple drug related charges and a weapons charge. Charges issued were related to possession of drug paraphernalia related to the manufacture of methamphetamine, possession of cocaine, possession of marijuana, and possession of a weapon as a convicted felon.

On June 15th at approximately 11:18p Lt. Sauriol was dispatched to a suspicious person on S 1st Avenue in the Village of Winneconne. This person relayed that they observed two individuals going through her vehicle which was parked in the driveway. Shortly after Lt. Sauriol observed a person matching the description from the original caller. This person was interviewed and issued a citation for underage drinking, 2nd offense. Later in the night Lt. Sauriol contacted the original reporting person who found that she was missing some items from her vehicle. An attempt was made to contact the defendant to no avail. The next shift Lt. Sauriol spoke with the defendant who had pending drug charges from Marathon County. This individual was not willing to give up his accomplice. The eyewitness identified a person who was later contacted while walking with the original defendant. This second defendant was transported to jail for outstanding warrants. Both defendants were issued several citations.
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Items for Discussion: – None

Old Business: Consider creating a golf cart ordinance. Jason Harke from Wind Pointe Harbor stated he would like to see a golf cart ordinance so the boater can use it to go from the Harbor to the Well, grocery store and restaurants. Olson explained that golf carts typically are not built very strong and cannot withstand a crash very well. Many questions were asked by Committee members. This item was tabled to next month after research of State Laws were done and brought back to Committee.

New Business: none

Next Meeting: August 5th, 2019, 3:00pm

Motion to adjourn: Kasubaski, second Foster all Ayes.

Respectfully submitted Paul Olson, Police Chief