VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

MINUTES OF A MEETING

Safety Committee

A meeting of the **Safety Committee** of the Village of Brooklyn Heights, Ohio was held on **February 4**, **2014 at 6:30pm** with Councilman Howard Selig presiding.

Present at roll call:

Councilmen:

Black, Selig, Foote, Walsh, N. Hatgas

Mayor:

Procuk

Clerk/Treasurer:

Clymer

Engineer:

Henry

Police Chief

Algeri

Service Director: Recreation Dir.:

Hatgas Presot

Audience:

Jen Presot

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the security cameras in and around the Municipal Building.

Mr. Selig turned the meeting over to Chief Algeri.

Chief Algeri told council that he would like to have security cameras installed in and around the Municipal Building for two reasons.

- 1. For the security of our employees, their vehicles and the village property
- 2. For evidence for Mayor's Court.
 - He said that there have been people coming to court under suspension and was found to have driven here.

He stated that TOPSS would supply five cameras, DVR and labor for \$1,257.50. Chief Algeri would ask for \$1,500 in case they decided to add another camera possibly in lobby to cover the blind spots.

- Two in the back parking lot to cover the employee vehicles
- One at each driveway (2)
- One in the lobby to upgrade the one that covers the drug box drop-off

Mr. Foote asked if there is a maintenance cost or any other on-going costs and Chief Algeri said there is not. The tape is a loop.

Mrs. Hatgas asked if we would archive all the film and Chief Algeri said we would not. It would be a twelve to fifteen day tape.

A motion will be asked for at the regular council meeting tonight.

Chief Algeri asked council to implement the use of TASERS in the Police Department. He said that currently they use batons and/or pepper spray. The TASERS are in use in several area departments. The cost is approximately \$10,000 and would include five (5) TASERS, holster for each member, training, batteries and extra cartridges.

Our insurance agency said that we would need a good policy and training so that there would be no increase in our liability insurance. Chief Algeri would like to send Officer Jablonski to a train the trainer class so he would be certified to train our officers. The recertification of our officers would be low cost.

Mr. Foote asked what the village liability is if someone dies from the TASER charge. Chief Algeri said that the voltage is high but the amperage is low so chance of death is minimal. We would also adopt a protocol that would send the Fire Department to put a 12-lead on anyone tasered by our department.

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Mayor Procuk asked if council would like to have an ordinance and a Policy & Procedure drawn up for the next council meeting. Council was in agreement.

The Safety Committee meeting was closed by Mr. Selig.

Howard Selig Safety Committee Chairman

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