

**Village of North Hudson  
Public Safety Meeting  
Thursday, January 8, 2015, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.  
Village Hall, 400 7<sup>th</sup> Street North  
Hudson, WI 54016**

**Call to Order: roll call**

Chairman Zappa called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m. Answering the call was Trustee Kirk Nelson. It was noted that Trustee Anderson was absent. A quorum was present and the meeting was duly noticed. Also in attendance was Chief Richert.

**Questions/comments from the floor**

Jack Jorgenson was present in the audience. He brought to the committee's attention a recent incident where a vehicle was towed over the Christmas holiday from the street in front of his house after a recent snow fall, which required plowing. There was a \$316 impound lot charge as well as two citations issued for \$40. After speaking with Chief Richert he found out that there is a Village ordinance in place regarding parking a vehicle in one place for more than 24 hours. He has paid the impound fee, but not the citation fee yet. Zappa asked whether there were other vehicles towed on that same route. Jorgenson stated there were three vehicles towed. Richert stated the parking citations are being dismissed. Discussion followed regarding the ordinances and the process the NHPD follows. Jorgenson brought up the large amount he had to pay for the impound fee. Discussion followed. The committee agreed they will look into a possible contract with a towing company for the Village. Jorgenson was requesting that the Village share the expense of the impound fee. Zappa did state that this request may be hard to pass and does feel this may be a Public Works committee issue. The committee suggested Jorgenson write a formal letter to the Village for reimbursement to be submitted at the February Finance Committee meeting. Zappa asked Jorgenson to review his exact issues with the situation. Richert stated the NHPD will review their steps for this process. The committee thanked Jorgenson for bringing this to their attention.

**Minutes approval from November 13, 2014 meeting**

**Motion (Nelson/Zappa) to approve the November 13, 2014 meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.**

**Chief's report**

Richert reviewed the Board approved radio replacement. He also stated February 2015 he will be attending the Wisconsin Police Leadership Foundation (WPLF) Conference in the Dells and will be meeting with several radio communication vendors to organize the approved purchase of replacement radios for NHPD. He stated this is a great place for product demonstrations and review. He stated he would report back to the committee at the February 2015 meeting.

In order to comply with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) standards, all Board members and staff must be trained to a certain level. In 2015, as Emergency Management Director for the Village, Richert will be meeting with those Board members and staff to bring them into compliance.

Richert reviewed a report of 2014 information regarding specific data on department numbers related to traffic stops, OMVWIs, Underage Drinking citations, etc. Also reviewed was case volume by officer for 2014. Discussion followed.

The committee reviewed recent cases and traffic and municipal citation tallies.

**Restrict Use of Compression Brakes in Village limits**

Richert reviewed the background regarding a resident complaint that lives in the 500 block of 6<sup>th</sup> Street N. The complaint was about trucks using compression brakes while traveling in front of his house to control their speed and prepare to stop for the traffic signal at Monroe Street N.

**Motion (Nelson/Zappa) to recommend amending the municipal code section 90-1 to include the prohibition of the use of compression brakes in the Village Limits. Motion carried.**

**Use of Lexipol Law Enforcement Management Services**

Richert requested this agenda item be moved to the February meeting agenda so the committee members have a chance to review the information provided.

**Police Department Capital Equipment Planning**

Richert stated possible squad car replacement may be an item. Future discussion to follow.

**Committee Goals**

None at this time.

**Future Agenda**

Snow emergency, Restrict Use of Compression Brakes in Village limits.

**Adjourn**

Zappa adjourned the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Traci Miller  
Recording Secretary