

Public Safety Committee Minutes
Village of Somerset
February 5, 2024

Members Present Chris Moreno, Chris Dubak, Josh Hecht in person and Chief Trepczyk by Zoom.

1. Public Safety Committee Meeting called to order at 5:30pm.
2. Approval of January 8, 2024, minutes with a correction to #2 should read Motion Moreno, 2nd Dubak.

Motion Hecht, 2nd Dubak to approve the January 8, 2024, minutes.

3. Public Comment on Agenda Items: None
4. Unfinished Business: None
5. New Business:

a. Flock Camera- Chief Trepczyk requests to table for now.

Motion Dubak, 2nd Moreno- all aye

b. Hybrid Take Home Squad Program

- It is the officer's responsibility to charge the EV vehicle before bringing it home.
- The current budget allows for an increase in has for a take-home vehicle.

Motion Hecht, 2nd Moreno to approve the Modified Take Home Squad Program, at the Discretion of the Chief - all aye

c. Squad Purchase- Ford F1560 Lightning

Why a truck vs. car purchase?

- Much easier for hauling large pieces of evidence.
- Very useful for concerts, hauling cones signs etc.
- All officers can fit into it.

Additional information:

- The truck will have additional storage in a front trunk.
- It will cost around \$500 to add another charger, which would take approximately 8 hours to charge.
- The cost to outfit the truck would be between \$10,000 and \$15, 000.

Motion Moreno, 2nd Hecht to recommend the purchase to the board. – all aye

6. Municipal Court
 - a. 2024 Budget Report - reviewed
7. Police Department
 - a. 2024 Budget Report – reviewed
 - b. Police Chief Report
 1. January Incident Report – reviewed
 2. Department Activities
 - Officers participated in a Cold Weather Shoot in River Falls.
 - Three of Somerset’s Police Officers were involved in 2 different calls the past weekend where they needed to use the AED. One call was a mutual aid call to St. Croix County. Two Somerset Officers were then treated for CO2 exposure.
8. Police and Court Bills- reviewed
9. Future Agenda Items- none
10. Motion to Adjourn
Motion Hecht, 2nd Moreno at 5:59pm.

Submitted by Gina Thurnbeck