

Village of Grantsburg PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING Monday, January 11, 2021

The Public Safety Committee for the Village of Grantsburg held a meeting on Monday, January 11, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. at the Village Office Board Room, 316 S. Brad Street, Grantsburg, WI.

Present: Chairman/Trustee Peer, President Longhenry, Trustee Sturdevant

Others: Trustee Barton via zoom, Police Chief Wald, Lisa Slater, Burnett County Sheriff Tracy Finch

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> Chairman/Trustee Peer called the Public Safety Committee meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A Public Safety meeting was called to determine if an email written on January 4, 2021 by Lisa Slater and emailed to each Village Board Trustee, describing events she witnessed outside of the Grantsburg Family Dollar Store on December 7, 2020 or December 14, 2020 was meant as and qualified as a formal complaint against the Grantsburg Police Department and/or against any officers currently employed by the Department.

Sheriff Finch left the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE WILL CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION to conduct performance evaluation of the Police Department pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85 (c) "Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the government body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility".

Motion by President Longhenry, second by Trustee Sturdevant to convene into closed session. Motion passed unanimously.

THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE WILL RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85 (2) and will make recommendation(s) to the Village Board, if needed, from closed session.

Motion by President Longhenry second by Trustee Sturdevant to reconvene into open session. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Peer, second by Trustee Sturdevant to recommend the Village Board approve a document signed by Lisa Slater, Police Chief Dan Wald and Village President Michael Longhenry, indicating the email sent to Grantsburg Village Board members by Ms. Slater on January 4, 2021 has been investigated by the Public Safety Committee of the Village and determined to not meet the guidelines of the Grantsburg Police Department's Policy Manual Title 2, Chapter 2 regarding official citizen complaints as Ms. Slater indicated she did not intend for the email to be a formal complaint against the Department or any of its officers, but was an email to inform the Village Board of events she witnessed outside a Village of Grantsburg business. Once the document is approved by the Village of Grantsburg Board of Trustees, the matter will be considered closed. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> Motion by President Longhenry, second by Trustee Peer to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m. Motion unanimously.

Sheila Meyer Clerk/Treasurer