



CITIZEN'S POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (CPOC)

Tuesday, June 25, 2019

7:30 p.m.

Room 215, Village Hall

Minutes

Present: **CPOC:** Robert Becker, James Downing, John Nowicki, Bob Pickrell
Absent: None
Police Department: Chief of Police Reynolds, Deputy Police Chief Moran
Village Staff: Interim Director of Human Resources/Assistant Village Manager
Rolanda Russell, HR Generalist Sue Kornatowski
Trustee Liaison: Trustee James Taglia

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

Roll Call was taken.

There were no public comments.

Committee Member Becker found an error in the April 16, 2019 minutes. His name was mentioned in the minutes as motioning to go into Executive Session but he was not in attendance at that meeting. Committee Member Pickrell had made the motion at the April 16 meeting. Committee Member Pickrell made the motion to revise the minutes. There was a motion to approve the April 16, 2019 minutes as revised. The motion to approve minutes was proposed by Committee Member Becker, seconded by Committee Member Nowicki. Ayes: All, Nays: None. The revised minutes were approved unanimously.

Chief Reynolds provided an overview of the how the Village of Oak Park is adopting the 21st Century Policing. The Police Department participated in the St. Jude march. The officers and family members were invited to a BBQ on the grassy knoll at Village Hall to promote officer wellness. There was also an award ceremony that included family and friends. There was recognition for outside agencies that the Village partners with as well as staff. The Police Department has also expanded the chapelry to include two rabbis and a clergyman. Chaplin Conway is helping with this expansion. Chief Reynolds' Executive Secretary shall send an email to the entire Police Department when a thank you note is submitted to any member of the Police Department.

Chief Reynolds informed the committee that there are currently nine officers in field training, five in the academy; one just completed the academy and three in training with Field Training Officers. Taser training is 76% complete and the hope is to be at 100% by the end of the year. Committee Member Downing asked if there were any trends in crime and Chief Reynolds indicated that currently there were not any trends. Chief Reynolds mentioned that a Part-time Social Media Coordinator has been hired to assist the Police and Fire Departments with communication efforts.

Interim Director Russell informed the Committee that if there are no additional changes; she would forward the procedural rules (discussed at the last meeting) to the Village Manager. The Committee members did not have any changes and would like Interim Director Russell to proceed with this next step.

Interim Director Russell gave a summary of the recruiting process. There are twenty two candidates eligible and they are currently in the background check phase which will be followed by a

psychological assessment. In September there are five slots in the academy and in January 2020 we anticipate five more.

Committee Member Downing asked about the citizens that attended the last CPOC meeting that were interested in becoming members of the committee. Interim Director Russell indicated that the Clerk's Office had the applications and was handling this process.

There was a motion by Committee Member Pickrell seconded by Committee Member Nowicki to go into Executive Session. Ayes: All, Nays: None. The meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

There was a motion to adjourn by Committee Member Becker, seconded by Committee Member Nowicki to adjourn.

The CPOC meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.