

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
For August 13, 2013

Meeting called to order: 8:16 p.m.

Attendees: Maureen Roach, Al Reiling, Ken Bays, Randy Wilson and Mike James

Clerk: Al Reiling

- I. Approved previous meeting minutes: Motion 1) Ken Bays 2) Al Reiling
- II. New Business:
 - A. Committee established regular meetings for the fiscal year 2013/14. The committee will meet on the last Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. beginning 9/24/13. The meeting dates are as follows: 9/24, 10/29, 11/26, 1/28, 2/25, 3/25, 4/29 where noted the exception of 12/31, there will be no meeting do to the holiday. Meeting dates will be published on the website. Any changes will require a change by action.
 - B. Received three responses from the survey to date. Discussed benefits of Downs's police department vs. county coverage. Discussed probable costs to house a local police department with expenses including liability assumed by Village, special services such as ordinance enforcement and school/sporting events. Start-up funding approximately \$100,000.00. Need to research other communities similar in size to Downs to obtain budget figures. Randy mentioned that Bement, Illinois just started its own police department.
 - C. The committee discussed the need for a Village designee to complete golf cart inspections for ordinance enforcement due to the absence of a police chief. Maureen contacted Lt. Kline with the county asking if they can enforce this policy and is waiting to hear back from him.
 - D. Maureen made the recommendation to consider Neal Roach to assist with golf cart inspections during this interim period. Motion made by Randy Wilson to recommend Neal Roach as ordinance enforcement officer with Mayor acting in this capacity until Village Board approves Neal. Seconded by Ken. Motion passed. Maureen will make the recommendation at the next Village Board meeting.
 - E. Maureen will contact the McLean County Sheriff's Department to discuss current police coverage and other services that could be provided during this interim period and will report back at the next meeting. Discussed potential agreement terms to negotiate with the county.
 - F. Al Reiling will contact Tony Cannon to check if Downs has an Originating Agency Identifier (ORI).

G. Motion to adjourn meeting: 1) Randy Wilson 2) Ken Bays. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

Anyone interested in serving on the committee may contact Maureen Roach with questions or concerns at 830-3606 or publicsafety@villageofdowns.org. Meetings are open to the public.