

Orting Public Safety Committee Meeting
Public Safety Building
May 8th, 2020

ATTENDANCE John Kelly, Chair/Councilmember
 Tony Belot, Councilmember
 Mark Bethune, City Administrator
 Kristin Swanson, Police Clerk
 Chris Gard, Orting Police Chief

Call to Order at 9:30 AM

AGENDA ITEMS

Approval of May 2020 Minutes

Police Department Update

Bike Patrol

- The department is conducting a special Bike Patrol emphasis. Officers will be canvassing the neighborhoods and taking advantage of being able to navigate in areas where traditional patrol vehicles are limited.

Drone

- The FAA just granted the department a waiver that allows us to utilize our drone for night activities. As previously noted, the department received the drone via a grant. Lt. Gabreluk is the station's certified Remote Pilot.

Police Vehicles

- The new police vehicles are set to arrive sometime between July and August. They will require some minimal outfitting.

Orting Public Works

- The department is investigating a theft that took place at the new public works facility. The perimeter chain link fence was cut and some equipment was taken.

Old Soldier's Home

- The Old Soldier's Home recently had a patient with a false positive test for Covid-19. Despite testing positive, the individual never had the virus. The facility reported taking all of the necessary precautions associated with caring for those with the virus.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- All of the officers have been fitted and trained on how to properly use their PPE's for respiratory protection. In addition, they each have N95 masks, goggles, face shields, gowns and full face mask APR's. Chief Gard reported that some of these items have been obtained through grants.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:10 am