

Call to order

- 1) Application process
- 2) Scheduling
- 3) Ordinance violations/warnings/part-time officer
- 4) Police Computers

Attendance: Smith, Tibbs, R. Coon, Nolan, Skelton, Melton, Spickard, Blackstock

Roland called the meeting to order at 6:28 pm.

1) There was discussion pertaining to how long resumes/applications would be accepted for the police officer position. R. Coon suggested 2 weeks. Job description, job requirements, starting wage and full/part time status was defined. Clerk Coon was directed to place an ad in the Pekin Daily Times and The 4 publishing by the Banner Times as defined:

“The Village of San Jose is looking for a full/part time police officer. Completed PTI training is required. Salary is based on experience. Resumes will be accepted until July 12, 2013. Please submit resumes to PO Box 257, San Jose, IL 62682”

2) Nolan voiced her concerns over not having any daytime police coverage. Citizen R. Schuch interrupted Nolan from the gallery. There was discussion about our current two officers working more daytime hours until more officers can be hired. Citizen J. McCormick was recognized and reminded the board that Officer Spickard had been given approval, per the last board, for 2-3 days/month during daytime hours for the purpose of writing ordinances. Temporary Police Chief Melton pointed out to the board that working daytime hours would cause for a decrease in the number of hours worked during the evening/night shifts throughout the week. Melton and Spickard were directed to come up with a working schedule, to include daytime hours, by the following week.

Recommendation: Allow the present two police officers up to 30 hours each week until more officers can be hired to include daytime hours. The board was called to question of support of stated recommendation to which all voiced “yes” they would be in support of such a recommendation.

3) Officer Spickard explained why no ordinance violations had been written during the month of June, this being due to the turnover in administration. Spickard also pointed out that the ordinance books in the police station were not complete. Clerk Coon was directed to get said book updated with all information being contained. There was discussion about the need for ordinance violations being written during the daylight hours. There was discussion about how and when the warnings/citations would be written and issued. Private Citizens in the gallery were recognized and spoke on their complaints towards Officer Spickard and the fairness in which ordinance violations/citations are issued. Citizen C. Thomas approached the board with questions regarding an ordinance citation he had received and was currently going to court over. Smith made a motion to go into closed session per 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (4) with second from R. Coon. Vote by voice: 5-0 entered into closed session at 7:35pm.

Returned from closed session at 7:43pm.

There was further discussion heard from members of the gallery pertaining to the need for full-time police officers, moving violations witnessed, unprofessional language used by police officer, blockage of Locust Street (East of 1st Street) and Walnut (East of 1st Street) being a village roadway.

4) Skelton reported on his findings upon discussing the police computer issues with Eric Hall of the Illinois State Police. The board showed concerns regarding the information obtained by Skelton; therefore, Clerk Coon was instructed to call the State Police contact previously used by the Village for further discussion and clarification of stated issue.

There was general discussion in regards to a police incident that had happened on the Saturday prior to date. Discussion included various citizens trying to assist the police department with said incident and the problems that occurred as a result of these citizens’ actions

There was discussion pertaining to ordinance violations being written to certain individuals who have stated they are being “protected” by the current mayor. This discussion showed several in attendance expressing their concerns about said subject. Discussion ended with Blackstock calling for a point of order due to the unruly actions of citizens in attendance.

There were issues with zoning classifications of a few properties in and around the village limits discussed that will be followed up on and researched then brought back to the board for clarification. Spickard produced zoning classifications obtained from Mason County pertaining to the above mentioned properties (R. Davis (213 W. Vine, 101 W. Race). There were further discussions held pertaining to commercial zoning versus residential zoning. Clerk Coon was directed to attempt obtaining zoning maps from the county for further review.

Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Tibbs at 8:45pm.