

September 4, 2018

**The Regular Meeting of the Joint Town/Village Police Commissioners was held on September 4, 2018, at the Nunda Government Center Building, at 6:00 PM with the following present:**

**Village Police Commissioner:** Mel Allen  
**Town Police Commissioner:** Michael Hillier  
**Town Police Commissioner:** Randall Morris  
**Village Police Commissioner:** Darren Snyder

**Village/Town Justice:** Judge Mann  
**Village Attorney:** Mason Meyer

**Clerk:** LeRoy Wood

**Citizens:** One civilian youth                      Merilee Walker                      William Mann

**Commissioner Morris** - called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM

**Roll Call:** All present.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** led by Police Commissioner Morris

**Privilege of the Floor:** None at this time.

**Approval of Minutes:**

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Commissioner Morris stated he did not agree with minutes as presented. Commissioner Morris stated he did not say he had spoken with his constituents about the crossing guard program and using Town taxpayer's monies. Commissioner Morris stated *he didn't want to have to speak* to taxpayers about using Town taxpayer's monies to fund the crossing guard program which is located in the Village.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Hillier to approve the meeting minutes as presented with changes requested by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Allen. Carried 4-0.

**New Business:**

A. *Village Attorney*

Village Attorney Mason Meyer attended this meeting to get an understanding of what the municipalities were discussing in terms of an agreement on the function of the Joint Town/Village Police Department. The current agreement between the two municipalities ends January 1, 2019.

Merilee Walker stated the original requirement for this agreement was a mandate from both insurance carriers to cover insurance needs.

Commissioner Snyder mentioned the 50/50 split was working out well.

Commissioner Morris mentioned he could not find a resolution changing from the original 60/40 split - with the Village paying more.

Commissioner Allen mentioned the intent was to have the Village Attorney get together with the Town Attorney to discuss and develop an agreement by the letter of the law.

Commissioner Snyder stated he wanted to make sure we are doing things right.

Commissioner Hillier stated the agreement should be to the letter of the law and that everything should be looked at.

Attorney Meyer mentioned that he would do research to see if this part of the current GML Law in question was in effect back when the Joint Police Department was started. Attorney Meyer also mentioned a New York State Comptroller Opinion from 1983 that references the Joint Town/Village Police Department from Nunda specifically. Additional research will need to be conducted. As far as a specific village officer or town officer, any call outside the village boundaries with a village police officer on duty would be covered under the *administering* of this *Joint* program. Attorney Meyer stated he would contact the Town Attorney Pulliam to discuss this agreement.

#### B. Resignation of Chief Wilcox and Officer Boorman

**MOTION** was made to accept the resignation of Chief Jeffrey Wilcox and Officer Jeremy Boorman by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Allen. Carried 4-0.

Commissioner Morris stated they needed to put someone in charge. Commissioner Morris called Sargent Stephen Rapp.

Commissioner Hillier mentioned the police department was down to 7 officers.

Commissioner Snyder mentioned how it would be good if we could find good retired deputies that were flexible and could work more hours.

Commissioner Morris mentioned if Sargent Rapp would even take a temporary position as Officer in Charge. Commissioner Hillier stated he would talk with Officer Ryan Dale.

**MOTION** was made at 6:35 PM to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Snyder. Carried 4-0.

Supervisor Walker and youth attendee were approved to stay. Clerk to the Board was asked to leave executive session.

**MOTION** was made at 6:51 PM to exit the executive session by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Snyder as recorded by Commissioner Hillier. Carried 4-0.

#### **Old Business**

##### A. Purchase of Police Vehicle

Commissioner Hillier requested this be tabled until both Town and Village were onboard with a purchase.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Hillier to not purchase a vehicle for the police department until both the Town and Village are onboard with a purchase, seconded by Commissioner Snyder. Carried 4-0.

#### **Adjournment**

With no further business to be discussed, the motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Snyder at 7:14 PM. Carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

LeRoy J. Wood  
Clerk to the  
Police Commissioners Board