

**SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**September 11, 2007**

Chairman Sally Hollembeak called the meeting to order at 6:45 P.M.

Trustee members present: Linda Melton, Lori Laye

Also, present: President Claeysen, Stephen Appell, Jill Miller, Nancy Belt, Chief Gary Maitland, and Tad Whitchurch

Linda Melton so moved to adopt the agenda with adding under the Chief's Report, "hiring". Lori Laye seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

Sally Hollembeak so moved to approve the minutes of August 6, 2007. Linda Melton seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

**REPLACING CHIEF'S CAR**

Chief Maitland informed the committee that the village received a check in the amount of \$11,387.50 from IMLRMA insurance company for the police chief's squad car that was damaged in the August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007 flood.

Chief Maitland said that the radio and strobe light power supply and related wiring were also damaged and needed to be replaced. The claim forms have been submitted to the village's insurance company for reimbursement too.

**Sally Hollembeak so moved to send to the village board authorizing the amount of \$2,894.00 to replace squad car damaged equipment from Tri-Star Communications. Lori Laye seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.**

Chief Maitland informed the committee that he has been renting a vehicle for \$700.00 a month until the Chief's squad car is replaced. The 2007 Chevrolet Impala is available at a cost of \$20,077.00. The *state bid cost* for the 2008 Dodge Charger has not been released. Chief Maitland said that he would like to recommend purchasing the state bid 2008 Dodge Charger. President Claeysen noted that the budget did not include the purchase of a new squad car and recommended expenditures from contingency fund. This was agreed.

**POLICY & CONTRACT FOR TOWING VEHICLES**

Chief Maitland stated that the police department tows about 150 vehicles a year from various arrests. On occasion the towing and storage bill is the responsibility of the police department (see attached summary report). Chief Maitland said that he will draft a *policy & contract* for towing impounded vehicles that would incorporate an administrative fee. A copy will be forwarded on to Attorney Jim Stevens or his review. Sally Hollembeak recommended sending the draft, once reviewed by the village attorney, to the ordinance committee. This was agreed.

**REPAIRS VEHICLE #5**

Chief Maitland reported that he received an invoice in the amount of \$1,031.77 for vehicle #5 repairs. The insurance company has not submitted a claim check YTD. **Linda Melton so moved to send to the village board to ratify the expenditure of \$1,031.77 to Parson's Collision Center for vehicle #5 repairs. Sally Hollembeak seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.**

**MONTHLY STATS**

Chief Gary Maitland presented and reviewed with the committee the Cherry Valley Police Department's August 2007 monthly stats report. Sally Hollembeak asked the committee to contact Chief Gary Maitland with any questions.

**HIRING FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER**

Chief Maitland informed the committee that the department is continuing the process of hiring a new full time police officer from their applicant list.

Lori Laye so moved to adjourn at 7:11 pm. Linda Melton seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

Recorded by: Village Clerk, Nancy L. Belt

Approved by Chairman, Sally Hollembeak on September 12, 2007