



**Town of Port Deposit
Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes
October 5, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT – Chairman Brown, Councilman Knight, Town Administrator Rinkerman, and Chief of Police Smith.

ABSENT – Mayor Kuhs

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The August 24, 2021 minutes will be presented at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Maryland Transportation Authority Police Memorandum of Understanding – Chief Smith stated that the MDTA has agreed to do an individual MOU with the Town. Counsel McCarron and Chief Smith reviewed the MOU.

Discussion ensued regarding tractor trailers driving through town, CDL licenses, and the jurisdiction of different agencies. Chief Smith stated that she will request for signs to be put in Spanish. Chief Smith will also contact Lt. Bowser from the MDTA to see if he is available at the next meeting to discuss details and possibly scheduling if required.

Equipment Update- Chief Smith stated she had taken the radar unit to Cecil County and had it fixed and calibrated but it is still not working. She inquired about the purchase of a new radar unit which can be mounted in her car and will be calibrated annually. Discussion on the matter ensued. Chairman Brown will discuss the pricing with Treasurer Sookiasian regarding funds available in the Public Safety budget. Councilman Knight mentioned pursuing another speed sign in addition to the radar unit, which Councilman Tome Jr. previously stated he would seek pricing.

Chief Smith presented additional equipment she wishes to purchase and was given approval to purchase a new vest. She stated she needs a new AED and will contact the VFW.

Chief Smith is expected to have a new computer from the County this coming Thursday, October 7, 2021. It has been determined that the computer previously provided by the Water Witch Fire Company is too old to be used. The computer will need an air card to create a “hot spot”


Chief Smith stated she will meet with LGIT this Thursday, October 7, 2021 to discuss possible grants.

NEW BUSINESS

Conowingo Dam Emergency Response – Town Administrator Rinkerman explained that if there is a Conowingo Dam Emergency in Port Deposit, Chief Smith will be called in to work. She advised Chief Smith to review the Conowingo Dam Emergency Plan.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m. The meeting was recorded and audio is available upon request.

Approved:



Kevin Brown, Chairman