



VILLAGE OF WEBSTER

JUDICIAL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 10, 2014

6:00 p.m. @Village Office

7505 Main Street West, Webster, WI

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- I. CALL TO ORDER** – Charlie Weis, Judicial Chairman; called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- II. PRESENT** - Village President, Jeff Roberts; Chairman, Charlie Weis; Member, Paul Berg and Member, Darrel Sears. Also Present: Brian Sears, Municipal Court Judge; Tessa Anderson, Municipal Court Clerk and Chief, Michael Spafford. Absent: None.
- III. 2014 WEBSTER MUNICIPAL COURT STATISTICS** – Tessa Anderson, Court Clerk presented her 2014 Webster Municipal Court statistics. In January 2014, there was \$247.80 taken in from fines and forfeitures and \$174.10 retained by the court. The remainder was paid out for restitution, county jail fees and state penalties. In February 2014, there was \$1,279.66 taken in from fines and forfeitures and \$793.22 retained by the court. The remainder was paid out for restitution, county jail fees and state penalties. In January 2014, the court spent \$1,116.67 in court costs. Of that figure, \$467.00 was paid in legal fees which were just a figure of monies spent. The court gets assistance from the village for those fees, so this was informational for the board. In February 2014, the court spent \$1,389.31 in court costs. Of that figure, \$180.00 was paid in legal fees. Again, this was informational only. In January 2014; there were 4 traffic tickets written as well as 2 others. In February 2014; there were 12 traffic tickets written as well as 2 others. The court is owed fines and forfeitures a total of \$43,459.37. Of that for 2014, \$7,886.82 was paid from warrants and tax intercepts. This leaves a balance owed of \$35,572.55.
- IV. SOFTWARE FOR TICKET AND FINES PROCESSING** – Tessa Anderson presented her concerns regarding using the old computer which is approximately 10 years old. The software on that computer is outdated and it needs to be updated with the licensing requirements. The software is not in compliance. Tessa backs up the computer every day in the event that it does crash. She's afraid that if it does crash, everything on there will be lost and new software cannot be reloaded because it is out of date and the old software is not compliant. The new computer could be used, however; in order to use the new computer, updated software needs to be installed that is compliant. She stated that 90% of the courts use TIPS software. Tessa did check on the cost to install TIPS into the new computer and the installation fee for software would be \$13,000. There is a cost of \$5,553 for the yearly reinstatement which would include updates. After that, the next yearly cost would be \$1,853 and 3% increase each year after that. Officer, Bridget Getts and Chief, Michael Spafford are looking to obtain SLEET Software which is what the Webster Police Department has used and the court system could use to be compatible with the ticket writing process. The way SLEET works is the Webster PD writes the ticket and forwards the information onto SLEET Court Software. They would be compatible with a smaller price tag. The PD is looking into pricing for updating the court SLEET Software. It would be an update only, since the PD currently has SLEET Software. The costs would not be as high as TIPS. Tessa along with the help of the Webster Police Department will look into getting the new court computer compatible as soon as possible. The court will report updates at the next quarterly meeting.
- V. ORDINANCE #2014-1 DISCUSSION** – Chief, Spafford presented Ordinance 1-2014 which would amend Chapter 148-1 of the Village of Webster Ordinances. This is pertaining to Possession and Discharge of Firearms and Weapons. Under the current subchapter of Chapter 148-1(a), compound or strung bow should be removed from non-allowed weapons in the Village of Webster. WI State law allows for the discharge of compound or cross bows to be discharged in villages. The ordinance would add allowance of such weapons to read, **“A person with a bow and arrow or crossbow within a specified distance, may not exceed 100 yards, from a building used for human occupancy located on another person’s land.”** The consensus of the board was to recommend to the full board approval of this ordinance with the above changes.
- VI. UPCOMING EVENTS DISCUSSION** – Chief, Michael noted that there will be the Memorial Day Craft held on May 24, 2014. The craft fair contact is Mary Nelson located at 2841 Dushane Drive, Webster, WI 54893. Her phone number is: (715) 635-6775, and her e-mail address is: marynelson53@aol.com. She is the main point of contact for the craft fair. The Village of Webster and Webster Chamber website located at: www.websterwisconsin.com,

will be updated with all information relevant to the craft fair. Chief, Michael Spafford will be having at the very least, 2 part-time officers doing traffic control during the fair which will take place from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. that day. He also noted that at some point, there will possibly be a 5K held in the village as well. He will keep the full board updated with that information.

VII. MOTION TO ADJOURN – Motion to adjourn was made by Member, Berg; Seconded by Village President, Roberts at 6:50 p.m. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Roberts

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***These minutes are subject to approval at next month's Regular Meeting.