

**The Village of Middlefield
Public Safety Committee Minutes
May 12, 2016**

The Village of Middlefield's Public Safety Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mr. Rick Seyer-Chair, Ron Wiech and Mr. Bill Blue.

Also present: Police Chief Tucholski, Lt. Savage, Mayor Ben Garlich, Ms. Leslie McCoy-Econ Dir/Zoning Inspector and Mr. Dan Weir-Village Administrator.

Agenda: No additions or deletions to the agenda.

Minutes of April 14, 2016 were presented for approval. Mr. Wiech made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Seyer. Roll call: Yeas (2). Mr. Blue abstained due to not being at the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Police Department – General Discussion on Department Issues:** Chief gave an overview of the activities that the department has been involved in. Discussed the amount of money that the village received from the Chardon Courts. Would like to get a breakdown of where the money goes. The department take place in the drug take back program. The department returned 76 pound of drugs to the DEA from the drop box in the lobby of the department. Discussed the security that is in place for the evidence room; discussed installing more cameras. Discussed the training needed for the officers to be able to test Marijuana. BCI is no longer testing anything under 100 grams. Would like to find a class and get a few officers trained. A cruiser was involved in an accident and caused the frame to be bent. Classic in Mentor gave an estimate of \$21,000 due to the frame rail needing to be changed. The insurance company was not in favor of repairing the car. Chief Tucholski stated that after several hours of research he found a very similar cruiser in Oklahoma, received the funds and went and picked up the car. It is almost completed at the outfitters and should be on the road soon. Discussed the drug testing policy of the department. Will make a change to the policies that in an accident that causes more than \$500.00 damage or personal injury that all officers will be drug tested. Discussed cell phone usage policy for officer while in the cruisers. The department will be implementing a mandatory foot and bike patrol.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Nothing before the committee.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business before the Safety Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:51 pm.