

APRIL 2019 MONTH-END REPORT

South Russell Police Department	April
	Traffic Complaint
UAS Call Out - Aerial Unit	2
Unsecured Premise	8
Utility Complaint General	1
Welfare Check	6
Total Activity	105

In April 2019, Officers conducted **889** security checks on **40** homes for residents that requested vacation watch services.

**Safety Committee Activity**

The Meeting began at 0800 hours. Present were Council / Committee Members Dennis Galicki and Cindy Nairn. Also present were Chief Michael Rizzo and Lt. Michael Fabian.

Chief Rizzo issued the meeting agenda and advised Galicki and Nairn that resident Jim Flaiz would be arriving at the meeting shortly to discuss "leash laws."

0805 hours, resident Jim Flaiz, Board President of the Chagrin Lakes Homeowners Association, arrived at the meeting. Flaiz shared with committee members and the Police Chief some discussions that had recently taken place within the Chagrin Lakes Homeowners meetings, relevant to dogs at large. Flaiz reported that the HOA of Chagrin Lakes had come to an agreement that dogs should not be permitted to be off leash when not in the pet owner's yard. Flaiz explained that sometimes dogs at large wander through yards as well as the common area that includes a lake, pavilion, and playground. Flaiz explained that although the HOA wishes to address dogs at large, it may be hard to do so as the current Leash Law (618.01) is ambiguous and could make enforcement a challenge. Flaiz provided the committee and the Police Chief with some verbiage to be considered for adaption into the current "Control of Dogs..." Ordinance (618.19). The topic as well as Mr. Flaiz's suggested modifications to the existing Ordinance will be deferred to the rest of Council as well as the Village Solicitor per the Safety Committee. (See separate attachment)

Next, discussion was held regarding recognizing Trick or Treat on a Saturday as opposed to October 31<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Flaiz explained that his neighborhood (Chagrin Lakes) recognizes Halloween on a Saturday evening. A discussion regarding potential pros and cons of designating a Saturday as the Village wide day for Trick or Treat took place. The Committee decided to observe Trick or Treat on October 31<sup>st</sup> and let the individual homeowner's associations decide if they choose to observe it on a different day.

The condition of Sheerbrook Drive was discussed, specifically a “pot hole” near 1124 Sheerbrook that is of concern. Police Chief Rizzo advised that he will notify the Service Department for repair if the concern poses a hazard. Flaiz excused himself from the meeting at 920 hours.

Chief Rizzo provided the Committee with an overview of the 2020 budget which included next preferred cruiser, which will likely be a 2020 Ford Interceptor, Hybrid. The new vehicle will be replacing a 2015 vehicle. Chief Rizzo explained that this vehicle “scored” extremely well in testing conducted by the Michigan State Police. Chief Rizzo reported that he conservatively expects that this Hybrid vehicle will provide reductions in fuel costs in the range of \$2000-\$2200 annually. The group discussed the value of keeping and repurposing the 2015 vehicle for official Village use in another department. No decision has been made.

Chief Rizzo reported that the first group of radios have been purchased and received. Chief Rizzo advised that he is waiting for grant reimbursement before ordering the second batch of radios.

The committee discussed adjusting the current “Disturbing the Peace” ordinance. Verbiage was proposed to be added to the existing ordinance as well as for “exceptions” that may be made due to a unique circumstance. The group will be reaching out to the Village Solicitor for recommendations before proceeding further. (See separate attachment)

Chief Rizzo advised the committee that due to sporadic tornado siren test activations, he and Chagrin Valley Dispatch are working on a solution to amplify the signal which should result in consistent, reliable siren tests.

Chief Rizzo also reported that a new repeater system will be activated soon that should enhance the range and reliability of the Service Departments radios. Chief is in the process of transferring the radio license from Hunting Valley to South Russell.

The meeting adjourned at 1000 hours.