

**Lanesboro City Council
Special Meeting
Thursday, July 27, 2017
6:00 p.m.**

Present: Autumn Johnson, Jason Resseman, Tom Smith, and Marge Drake

Absent: Bridget Harvey

Visitors: Tom Manion, Rhonda Flattum, Chad Wangen, Jim Schott, Richard Kujath, Brian Ostby, Tom Moser, Matt Schultz, and Blaise Sass

Call to order the Special Council Meeting: (Mayor Johnson) 6:00 p.m.

A. Police Services and possible collaboration or partnership with other communities for those services: The City of Fountain mayor Richard Kujath also called the Fountain meeting to order. Introductions were then made for all in attendance. Discussion was then had regarding current police coverage as well as current contracts. Items discussed were:

- 24/7 coverage with an officer on 22 hours every day
- No set schedule, patrol would be random
- Equipment
- Training
- Termination of Contract
- Renewal of Contract
- Fines are specific to each City

Preston Police Chief Matt Schultz noted that preliminary figures show the cost to the City of Fountain would be \$24-25,000, while the cost to the City of Lanesboro would be reduced from \$101,000 to \$93,000. It was discussed that Lanesboro's current contracted amount is similar in ration to other surrounding towns.

Fountain Police Chief Tom Moser stated his concern with a single officer unit. Moser noted especially a concern for burnout and the lack of ability to appropriately compensate the individual. He also discussed the concern for policy, procedures, and training.

Adjourn: Member Smith motioned to adjourn the special meeting at 6:45 p.m. Council member Resseman seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Peterson
City Administrator/Clerk