

## Summary of November 5th Meeting of the Saranac Lake Police Review Committee

The meeting was held via zoom from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Present were: John Sweeney, Chief James Joyce, Melinda Little, Chris Morris, Ernest Hough, Betsy Fuller, Sarah Clarkin. Not in attendance Rhonda Lynn Couwenhoven, Asst. DA David Hayes, Angela Brice, Suzanne Lavigne

Committee reviewed Public Meeting comments, Chief Joyce follow up on the Lexipol comment of how updates to the Policies were completed and corrected statement from Public Meeting in reference to process. Lexipol updates are not overwritten – e-mail notification is received and reviewed by the Chief and accepted or modified as necessary, they policy is not just overwritten as previously questioned.

Sarah Clarkin questioned if the original Policies are kept, The Chief responded with the Police maintain an original hard copy and PDF file of the original documents.

Sarah Clarkin questioned: How are policies developed in reference to the Policy Manual? The Chief responded that most State/Federal policies are originated based upon Case Law/ Federal and State as in the case with Lexipol. Local Policies are developed by the Chief to address local items.

The Chief was questioned about the use of Policy vs Interim Orders and does the Police Department still have the ability to utilize Interim Orders? The Chief responded that Interim Orders are still acceptable as an order originating from the Village.

Discussion about Civilian Oversight or Civilian Group to assist with communication was had by the group.

Trustee Little Discussed developing goals and accomplishments for public comment and discussion sessions

Group agreed that at “Master Working Document” is needed before any public interaction to allow the public a base line for discussion.

Trustee Little will begin to draft “Master Working Document” and a narrative for the community including draft recommendations to include but not limited to:

- Public outreach to groups
- Setting up public listening groups
- Schedule of dates
  - Groups to potentially initiate discussion, but not limited to
  - NCCC
  - Harriestown Housing
  - Saranac Lake School District
  - Diversity Inclusion Committee
  - St. Joe
  - LGBTQ Community
  - Downtown Advisory Committee

- Youth Center
- Skate Group
- Residents of Will Rogers (although at this time most difficult to reach)