



Police and Fire Committee Agenda

August 22, 2023 at 4:00 PM

Police and Fire Committee

Ben Hunt, Chair
Rich Bardach
Bob Rosen

Staff Liason

Scot Lahrmer, Village Manager
Rich Wallace, Police Fire Chief
Tim Schmidtgoessling, Sergeant
John Burton Police Fire Officer

MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes: April 26, 2023

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

1. Flock cameras
2. Department Update

ADJOURNMENT

Police/Fire Committee Minutes

April 26, 2023

Attendees: Ben Hunt (Committee Chair), Richard Bardach (Committee Member), Bob Rosen (Committee Member), Scot Lahrmer, Chief Wallace, Tom Muething

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM. The minutes from March 1, 2023, were approved with no edits.

Chief Wallace presented the Beacon Orthopedics Bridge program. Overall, the program is being viewed as a success in replacing the physical fitness tests they were previously used in the Police/Fire department and are tailored for each officer. Additionally, the Beacon program focuses on the physical health of employees and aims to prevent larger, more costly injuries that would involve insurance claims.

Chief Wallace then presented the purchase of the new police body camera system. In total we purchased 10 total with 7 planned to be in cars, and 3 as backups. They have arrived and are currently working getting them set up for use.

Chief Wallace then updated the committee about the possible addition of Flock cameras for Amberley Village. These cameras would be deployed at entrance points to the village to capture video footage of anyone entering Amberley, to aid the Police department in solving crimes. Flock cameras are being used in many area communities including Golf Manor, Blue Ash, and Indian Hill. At current, they cost \$3000 annually per camera. Additionally, communities can share footage allowing Amberley Police to be able to help aid those communities and vice versa. The committee agreed that they are in support of these cameras, and that the Chief should finalize a proposal.

Chief Wallace and Village Manager Lahrmer presented resolution 2023-??? Proclaiming the week of May 15-21 as National Law Enforcement Memorial Week and May 15, 2023, as Peace Officers' Memorial Day. Mr. Rosen moved to recommend this resolution to the full council. Mr. Bardach seconded the resolution, and it was approved unanimously.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Other items that were discussed include the purchase of Flock cameras for major intersections to help reduce crime, as well as the purchase of new rifles, weapons/holsters and tasers for the Police department and new turnout gear for the Fire department.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Ben Hunt

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Company Overview

At Flock Safety, technology unites law enforcement and the communities they serve to eliminate crime and shape a safer future, together. We created the first public safety operating system to enable neighborhoods, schools, businesses, and law enforcement to work together to collect visual, audio, and situational evidence across an entire city to solve and prevent crime.

Our connected platform, comprised of License Plate Recognition (LPR), live video, audio detection, and a suite of integrations (AVL, CAD & more), alerts law enforcement when an incident occurs and turns unbiased data into objective answers that increase case clearance, maximize resources, and reduce crime -- all without compromising transparency or human privacy.

Join thousands of agencies reducing crime with Flock Safety's public safety operating system

2000+	120	1B+	<60%*
communities with private-public partnerships	incident alerts / minute	1B+ vehicles detected / month	<60% local crime reduction in Flock cities

*According to a 2019 study conducted by Cobb County Police Department

Introduction

Layer Intelligence to Solve More Crime

The pathway to a safer future looks different for every community. As such, this proposal presents a combination of products that specifically addresses your public safety needs, geographical layout, sworn officer count, and budget. These components make up your custom public safety operating system, a connected device network and software platform designed to transform real-time data into a panoramic view of your jurisdiction and help you zero in on the leads that solve more cases, prevent future crimes, and foster trust in the communities you serve.

Software Platform

Flock Safety's out-of-box software platform collects and makes sense of visual, audio, and situational evidence across your entire network of devices. With unlimited user licenses, your entire law enforcement agency can access the real-time investigative leads needed to increase case clearance, protect the community, and decrease crime rates.



Budgetary Quote

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Bill To: 7149 Ridge Rd Cincinnati, Ohio 45237

Ship To: 7149 Ridge Rd Cincinnati, Ohio 45237

Billing Company Name: OH - Amberley Vlg PD

Subscription Term: 24 Months

Billing Contact Name:

Payment Terms: Net 30

Billing Email Address:

Retention Period: 30 Days

Billing Phone:

Billing Frequency: Annual Plan - First Year Invoiced at Signing.

Hardware and Software Products

Annual recurring amounts over subscription term

Item	Cost	Quantity	Total
Flock Safety Platform			\$24,000.00
Flock Safety Flock OS			
FlockOS TM	Included	1	Included
Flock Safety LPR Products			
Flock Safety Falcon [®]	Included	8	Included

Professional Services and One Time Purchases

Item	Cost	Quantity	Total
One Time Fees			
Flock Safety Professional Services			
Professional Services - Standard Implementation Fee	\$650.00	8	\$5,200.00
Subtotal Year 1:			\$29,200.00
Annual Recurring Subtotal:			\$24,000.00
Estimated Tax:			\$0.00
Contract Total:			\$53,200.00

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Billing Schedule		Amount (USD)
Year 1		
At Contract Signing		\$29,200.00
Annual Recurring after Year 1		\$24,000.00
Contract Total		\$53,200.00

*Tax not included

Product and Services Description

Flock Safety Platform Items	Product Description
Flock Safety Falcon ®	An infrastructure-free license plate reader camera that utilizes Vehicle Fingerprint® technology to capture vehicular attributes.

One-Time Fees	Service Description
Installation on existing infrastructure	One-time Professional Services engagement. Includes site & safety assessment, camera setup & testing, and shipping & handling in accordance with the Flock Safety Advanced Implementation Service Brief.
Professional Services - Standard Implementation Fee	One-time Professional Services engagement. Includes site and safety assessment, camera setup and testing, and shipping and handling in accordance with the Flock Safety Standard Implementation Service Brief.
Professional Services - Advanced Implementation Fee	One-time Professional Services engagement. Includes site & safety assessment, camera setup & testing, and shipping & handling in accordance with the Flock Safety Advanced Implementation Service Brief.

Out of Box Software Features

Simplified Search	Get a complete view of all activity tied to one vehicle in your network of privately and publicly owned cameras. The user-friendly search experience allows officers to filter hours of footage in seconds based on time, location, and detailed vehicle criteria using patented Vehicle Fingerprint™ technology. Search filters include: ● Vehicle make ● Body type ● Color ● License plates ○ Partial tags ○ Missing tags ○ Temporary tags ○ State recognition ● Decals ● Bumper stickers ● Back racks ● Top racks
National and Local Sharing	Access 1B+ additional plate reads each month without purchasing more cameras. Solve cross-jurisdiction crimes by opting into Flock Safety's sharing networks, including one-to-one, national, and statewide search networks. Users can also receive alerts from several external LPR databases: <i>California SVS</i> <i>FDLE</i> <i>FL Expired Licenses</i> <i>FL Expired Tags</i> <i>FL Sanctioned Drivers</i> <i>FL Sex Offenders</i> <i>Georgia DOR</i> <i>IL SOS</i> <i>Illinois Leads</i> <i>NCIC</i> <i>NCMEC Amber Alert</i> <i>REJIS</i> <i>CCIC</i> <i>FBI</i>
Real-time Alerts	Receive SMS, email, and in-app notifications for custom Hot Lists, NCIC wanted lists, AMBER alerts, Silver alerts, Vehicle Fingerprint matches, and more.
Interactive ESRI Map	View your AVL, CAD, traffic, and LPR alerts alongside live on-scene video from a single interactive map for a birdseye view of activity in your jurisdiction.
Vehicle Location Analysis	Visualize sequential Hot List alerts and the direction of travel to guide officers to find suspect vehicles faster.

Out-of-Box Software Features (Continued)

Transparency Portal	Establish community trust with a public-facing dashboard that shares policies, usage, and public safety outcomes related to your policing technology.
Insights Dashboard	Access at-a-glance reporting to easily prove ROI, discover crime and traffic patterns and prioritize changes to your public safety strategy by using data to determine the most significant impact.
Native MDT Application	Download FlockOS to your MDTs to ensure officers never miss a Hot List alert while out on patrol.
Hot List Attachments	Attach relevant information to Custom Hot List alerts. Give simple, digestible context to Dispatchers and Patrol Officers responding to Hot List alerts so they can act confidently and drive better outcomes. When you create a custom Hot List Alert, add case notes, photos, reports, and other relevant case information.
Single Sign On (SSO)	Increase your login speed and information security with Okta or Azure Single Sign On (SSO). Quickly access critical information you need to do your job by eliminating the need for password resets and steps in the log-in process.

License Plate Recognition

The Flock Safety Falcon™ LPR camera uses Vehicle Fingerprint™ technology to transform hours of footage into actionable evidence, even when a license plate isn't visible, and sends Hot List alerts to law enforcement users when a suspect vehicle is detected. The Falcon has fixed and location-flexible deployment options with 30% more accurate reads than leading LPR.*

*Results from the 2019 side-by-side comparison test conducted by LA County Sheriff's Department

Flock Safety Falcon™ LPR Camera	Flock Safety Falcon™ Flex	Flock Safety Falcon™ XT
Fixed, infrastructure-free LPR camera designed for permanent placement. ✓ 1 Standard LPR Camera ✓ Unlimited LTE data service + Flock OS platform licenses ✓ 1 DOT breakaway pole ✓ Dual solar panels ✓ Permitting, installation, and ongoing maintenance	Location-flexible LPR camera designed for fast, easy self-installation, which is ideal for your ever-changing investigative needs. ✓ 1 LPR Camera ✓ Unlimited LTE data service + software licenses ✓ 1 portable mount with varying-sized band clamps ✓ 1 Charger for internal battery ✓ 1 hardshell carrying case	Long-range, high-speed LPR camera that captures license plates and Vehicle Fingerprint data for increasing investigative leads on high-volume roadways like highways and interstates. ✓ 1 Long-Range LPR Camera ✓ Computing device in protective poly case ✓ AC Power ✓ Permitting, installation, and ongoing maintenance

Your Flock Safety Team

Flock Safety is more than a technology vendor; we are a partner in your mission to build a safer future. We work with thousands of law enforcement agencies across the US to build stronger, safer communities that celebrate the hard work of those who serve and protect. We don't disappear after contracts are signed; we pride ourselves on becoming an extension of your hard-working team as part of our subscription service.

Implementation	Meet with a Solutions Consultant (former LEO) to build a deployment plan based on your needs. Our Permitting Team and Installation Technicians will work will get your device network approved, installed, and activated.
User Training + Support	Your designated Customer Success Manager will help train your power users and ensure you maximize the platform, while our customer support team will assist with needs as they arise.
Maintenance	We proactively monitor the health of your device network. If we detect that a device is offline, a full-time technician will service your device for no extra charge. <i>Note: Ongoing maintenance does not apply to Falcon Flex devices.</i>
Public Relations	Government Affairs Get support educating your stakeholders, including city councils and other governing bodies. Media Relations Share crimes solved in the local media with the help of our Public Relations team.

Incident Report

7/24/2023

Indian Hill Rangers Police Department

FLOCK - Success Stories

For: Police Officer Lang, Keith (KAL)

Occurred: 5/17/2023

By: Dispatcher Milliron, Mark (MAM)

Entered: 6/6/2023

PLATE: OH/HUZ5441

Case: 23-0142

On 5/17/23 at 1227 hours Disp. Cooke advised a black Nissan with a felony warrant was eastbound on SR 126 from Montgomery. I got in behind the vehicle near the south gate and followed him until he turned into the driveway at 9525 Loveland Madeira Road. I activated my emergency lights and made the traffic stop. The driver, Jerome Manuel Harris, was cooperative and was secured without incident. The Blue Ash warrant for Possession of LSD was confirmed. The vehicle was locked and left in the driveway. His dog was put inside the residence. Mr. Harris was transported to Montgomery PD. He was transferred into the custody of Ptl. Fromhold of Blue Ash PD. Mr. Harris was cited for Failure to Reinstate.



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Indian Hill Rangers Police Department

FLOCK - Success Stories

For: Police Officer Lang, Keith (KAL)

Occurred: 5/27/2023

By: Dispatcher Milliron, Mark (MAM)

Entered: 6/6/2023

PLATES: JGF2664 & HYD5060

CASE: 23-0149

On 5/27/23 at 1152 hours I was operating stationary radar in the 8000 block of Indian Hill Road. I observed a black Honda CR-V drive by that I recognized as having a stolen plate attached from a previous Flock notification. I notified dispatch and the vehicle was stopped after it parked in the lot of Stephen Field.

The driver, John Edward Ohara, was secured and advised the license plate was reported stolen. He advised the vehicle was his father-in-law's and to call him. We then spoke to Dr. Rajan Kamath, 4495 Miami Road. Dr. Kamath said on 5/26/23 at 1500 hours he returned to his vehicle after being in the Madeira Kroger when he realized the plate was not his. Mr. Ohara was then uncuffed. I advised a stolen license plate report would be taken and emailed when completed. When the suspect(s) took the plate they took the time to keep Dr. Kamath's IIT Alumni license plate bracket on the vehicle but now with stolen plate JGF2664. Dr. Kamath forgot to ask his wife if she had changed the plates when he got home so it was not reported. He believes, but can not be confirmed, the theft of the license plate likely occurred between 1845 and 2045 hours on 5/25/23 when he parked in the parking garage of the Summit Hotel at 5345 Medpace Way, Cincinnati, OH 45227.

The license plate, JGF2664, was confirmed stolen by Brown at Cincinnati PD. The report was taken on 5/24/23.

Searching Flock cameras for OH/HYD5060, it appears Dr. Kamath's license plate was likely taken late on 5/25/23. Its first hit was on a Forest Park PD camera on 5/26/23 at 0038 hours at Kemper Rd @ Winton Rd WB. All other hits have been on 5/26/23 as well.

13:58 Mill Rd @ Sharon Rd NB

18:46 Springfield Pk @ W Crescentville Rd NB

19:36 Winton Rd @ 275 Ramp SB

20:40 Dixie Hwy @ Seward Rd SB

The Forest Park cameras did not provide a photo. Only the Fairfield PD cameras displayed an



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FLOCK - Success Stories

For: Captain Dressell, Mike (MDD)

Occurred: 5/28/2023

By: Dispatcher Milliron, Mark (MAM)

Entered: 6/6/2023

PLATE: HYH4728

CASES: 23-0150 - BURGLARY - 8675 BLOME RD

23-0153 - TRESPASS - 6105 GRAVES RD

On 5/28/23 at 0457 hours, officers responded to 8675 Blome Rd for a burglar alarm. While enroute, officers were updated that the resident, Mrs. Cicchinelli, observed two subjects on camera outside of their house.

The FLOCK camera database was searched for possible leads. At 0425 hrs., OH/HYH-4728 (2013 LINC SW BLK) was traveling s/b on Spooky Hollow at Spooky Ridge.

Upon reviewing further FLOCK hits on the Lincoln, the vehicle entered Indian Hill (going east bound) via Indian Hill Rd. at our east corp. line on the following recent dates/times:

TUE 5/16 0759 hrs., FRI 5/19 0753 hrs., TUE 5/23 0756 hrs.

It hits with regularity on the cameras at SB Kenwood & Montgomery Rd.:

MON 5/1 1448 hrs., TUE 5/2 1737 hrs., THU 5/11 1559 hrs. MON 5/15 2001 hrs., FRI 5/19 2002 hrs.

The FLOCK also has the Lincoln hitting a camera located at Cooper Rd. WB @ Delray Dr. at approx. 0504 hours. Utilizing Google maps, it is approximately a 5 minute drive from the area of the Cicchinelli residence to the camera, which is similar to the CAD timeline and the video.

On 5/30/2023, at approx. 04:09hrs, a FLOCK camera Alert was received from Indian Hill @ Cinti Corp EB, on OH/HYH-4728, as the vehicle-of-interest for a burglary. Officers located the vehicle unoccupied in the driveway of 6105 Graves Rd (approx 04:21hrs). Stoney McKinney and Reginald Colson were taken into custody and later arrested for the burglary at 8675 Blome Rd.



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Indian Hill Rangers Police Department

FLOCK - Success Stories

For: Dispatcher Milliron, Mark (MAM)

Occurred: 5/31/2023

By: Dispatcher Milliron, Mark (MAM)

Entered: 6/19/2023

PLATE: OH/JEF3347

TREPASS CASES 23-0144 & 23-0159

Officers: RMC, BJD, BEB, LSA, MDD

Village FLOCK cameras were used to alert staff daily on the movements of Betha Rittenhouse movements within the village. Staff learned that she is impaired due to a brain injury, however she became an increasing safety concern after being found trespassing on multiple properties within the village.



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FLOCK - Success Stories

For: Dispatcher Milliron, Mark (MAM)

Occurred: 6/6/2023

By: Dispatcher Milliron, Mark (MAM)

Entered: 6/19/2023

PLATE: OH/182WDF
SUSPICIOUS PERSON, CFS: 202305981
Officers: KAL, MAM

Nick Magnan, 8025 Spooky Hollow Rd., called to report a suspicious, elderly man walked into his home and then promptly departed in a grey/blue Honda Accord. While officer Lang responded and checked the area, Dispatch Milliron searched the FLOCK cameras nearby and discovered a matching Honda Accord on the camera at Spooky Hollow & Spooky Ridge.

Officer Lang responded to the home of the vehicle's registered owner and spoke with the man involved. The elder driver admitted walking into the home, but believed he had arrived at the Beltone Hearing Aid store after following his GPS.

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Indian Hill Rangers Police Department

FLOCK - Success Stories

For: Dispatcher Milliron, Mark (MAM)

Occurred: 6/9/2023

By: Dispatcher Milliron, Mark (MAM)

Entered: 6/28/2023

PLATE: OH/JCF7871

ROAD RAGE INCIDENT, CFS: 202306026

Officers: MCW, CJM

Calls were received regarding an alleged road-rage incident on Blome Road at the Bridge. Officer Meyer was able to search the area Flock cameras and discovered the registration of the vehicle involved. Thereafter, Officer Wedding was able to follow-up with the subject, Todd Stradtman. There was no offense, however he was advised of the traffic flow on the bridge.

Incident Report

7/24/2023

Indian Hill Rangers Police Department

FLOCK - Success Stories

For: Dispatcher Milliron, Mark (MAM)

Occurred: 6/25/2023

By: Dispatcher Milliron, Mark (MAM)

Entered: 6/29/2023

PLATE: FL/DKG3861

BURGLARY CASES 23-0185 & 23-0186

Officers: BEB, RCM, BJD, MCW, ADY, DPR, DMB, MRL, TAJ, MAM

The first burglary was reported at 9040 Whisperinghill on Sunday 6/25 around 6:30 PM. Residents in the area were eager to share personal video and images that captured a suspect vehicle, however none of the images provided a clear view of the registration or vehicle model. FLOCK was successfully used to identify the vehicle (and registration) from the camera on Remington near Croton: black Volkswagon Tiguan, FL/DKG3816.

Another burglary was reported nearby at 9125 Brokenound on 6/27 around 1 AM. The cases are believed to be related to the same group of suspects.



Feel like someone's watching? They are: License plate readers are the newest eyes on you

Sue Kiesewetter

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WEST CHESTER TWP. – Two Butler County townships are joining a growing list of southwest Ohio communities that are adding automated license plate readers to their arsenal of crime-solving tools.

West Chester Township recently installed Flock Safety cameras at entrances and exits to its communities as well as major roadways and Fairfield Township is completing the installation of its new cameras, which should be operational in the next three to four weeks.

It is a move officials say adds an investigative tool for police and could serve as a crime deterrent. The cameras are connected to national crime databases and will alert officers within seconds of wanted felons, missing people or sex offenders passing through an entry point.

But civil liberties advocates have raised concerns about how the cameras are used and what data is stored.

What Flock cameras capture

“It’s an up-and-coming technology that probably at some point in time most agencies in the area will have,” said Bob Chabalis, Fairfield Township’s police chief.

As vehicles pass, the cameras take pictures of their back license plates. The information is stored in a cloud-based database accessible to all entities using the system.

An alert will be sent out if a vehicle registered to someone with a felony warrant, stolen vehicle, or other infraction, enters the township, said Joel Herzog, West Chester’s police chief.

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“This is basically a safety net that’ll (be) put over the township,” Herzog said. “Over 70% of crimes (committed) involve a vehicle.”

The system will also alert law enforcement if a vehicle involved in an Amber alert or other missing person alert passes a camera.

Participating jurisdictions can also search the database to see if a vehicle involved in a crime is nearby. Police can also enter data about a vehicle to alert

other agencies. “It gives us real-time alerts – almost immediately – on stolen vehicles, wanted felons,” Herzog said.

Camera companies say Flock Safety technology reduces crime



Since its 2017 start, the technology has resulted in up to a 70% reported reduction in crime in many cities, said Holly Beilin, Flock spokeswoman. The cameras are used by 1,200 law enforcement agencies and other entities in about 2,000 cities across the country, Beilin said. In Ohio, the cameras are in use in by about 100 law enforcement agencies.

Among communities using them locally are Blue Ash, Middletown, Kettering, Trenton and Franklin. When dollars are available, Ross Township plans to add

them, said Chief Burton Roberts. The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office said the agency has 25 Flock cameras mounted around the county.

Concerns about privacy, information storage and 'mission creep'

The American Civil Liberties Union has issued a briefing that raises concerns about the cameras, citing a patchwork of law enforcement policies regarding the technology. Herzog said 17 states, but not Ohio, have laws governing use of the license plate readers.

The ACLU of Ohio would like to see legislation passed in Ohio that regulates how long data can be kept, restricts access to the database, requires annual reporting and specifies how the cameras can be used.

Privacy advocates and critics of ever-increasing uses of surveillance cameras, however, worry that "mission creep" will expand their use by law enforcement — and possible misuse.

From red-light and traffic cameras to license plate readers and drones, "there's been a continual increase in the availability and effectiveness of this technology," said Gary Daniels, a spokesman for the ACLU of Ohio, based in Columbus. "We are gradually getting to the point of big cities going to 24/7 surveillance."

Police say Flock Safety cameras don't have facial recognition capability

The chiefs say the cameras don't have facial recognition capability and are not used for traffic enforcement.

"It doesn't give us a reason to stop the person because they've not committed any crime (that we're aware of) ... but it does alert us that person is in the area," Herzog said. The cameras do not have facial recognition capability and

are not used for minor traffic violations, or traffic enforcement, both chiefs emphasized.

“This is not a red light camera, a speed camera, or to say, ‘hey, this person’s got unpaid parking tickets.’ That’s absolutely what it is not used for,” Herzog said.

Data is automatically deleted from the system every 30 days. “That avoids any sort of privacy concern, privacy issues that might exist,” Chabalis said. “It takes human bias out of crime solving by detecting objective data and detecting events that are ... illegal such stolen vehicles, vehicles used in robberies, etc.”

A Flock representative said both agencies paid the same price for the cameras: \$2,500 per year per fixed camera, known as a Falcon. There is a \$350 one-time installation fee per camera. The portable camera, known as the Falcon Flex, is leased at \$3,000 per camera and there is no installation fee.

Fairfield Township bought and installed 13 cameras at a cost of \$37,050. “This covers just about the entire township,” Chabalis said. “Once it’s known (that a jurisdiction has the cameras) it should serve as a deterrent to crime.”

West Chester Township approved a two-year lease for 32 fixed cameras and three portable ones at a cost not to exceed \$189,200, which includes a 10% contingency. “We’re all about crime displacement out of West Chester,” said Trustee Mark Welch.