

Public Safety Meeting Minutes  
June 19, 2012

Call to order 11:10 A.M. Conference Room

Members in attendance: Chair Stacy Szukala, and Bill Rivera

Also in attendance: Attorney Szot, Chief Ortolano, Mayor Dolce

Approval of prior minutes: motion by Bill Rivera, second by Chief Ortolano

Discussed Festivals with Chief Ortolano. There were no reported incidents and feels the police presence is well received. Over time is at minimal for festivals, and the Waterway Security grant is utilized for OT when possible.

Police Foot patrol is being done on a regular basis and electric car is also used when possible. Chief informed us that we received \$1800 for the STEP School enforcement and school zone tickets.

Chief Ortolano talked about starting on a regular vehicle replacement program noting that of our 6 marked patrol cars the one with the highest miles ( 200,000) will need to be taken out of use in the near future. Old vehicles are used for spare parts on other vehicles, thus cutting down on maintenance. Jason Schrantz the city mechanic is given thanks for all that he is able to do to save the city money.

Chief will be turning to council soon for support on the lease/buy of a new patrol car. There is \$13,000 in budget currently for payments. A total of \$16,000 is needed for this years payment total. He continued on about the shared services agreement being discussed with the Town of Dunkirk for patrol in the town. He explained we would receive \$1500 and proceed with a 6 month trial. This money could be used toward what is needed to make up the lease payment total.

Councilwoman Szukala asked about the motorcycles in the parade, noting they weren't wearing helmets. Chief Ortolano advised council that they cleared this with him for parade only. Helmets were put back on at the end of the parade route.

Cats and the Spay/neuter/release program was discussed. Mayor Dolce will make a few more phone calls and report to Councilwoman Szukala on progress or issues to move forward with program effectively. There is \$3000 in this years budget. Reaching out to Westfield Vet hospital on Main street in Dunkirk is a possibility.

Meeting adjourned 11:45 A.M.