

**POLICE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
March 1, 2012**

Call to Order

Chairman McIvor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Darien City Hall. **Committee members in attendance:** Chairman McIvor, Alderman Poteraske and Alderman Joerg Seifert

Others in attendance: Chief Brown, Deputy Chief John Cooper, Administrator Vana

Public Comment and Communications

A resident attended the meeting asking if the City was going to eliminate the DARE program as she read DARE duties on the agenda. Chairman McIvor revised the agenda to move the DARE topic as the first item to discuss.

DARE and officer Skweres Duties

The staff advised that the review of the DARE position is one the agenda as a general review of all the positions in the police department. The staff described the activities of DARE officer Skweres and reviewed the summary sheet showing officer Skweres daily activities. Chief Brown advised that it is staff's intent to continue a DARE program, or similar education program, and further advised that we are looking at possible alternate methods to deliver the program. Staff will update the committee as to any alternatives.

Minutes

The minutes of the February 2, 2012 Police Committee meeting were approved 3-0.

Department Report

The staff reviewed the activities for the month of February 2012.

Overview of DUCOMM Complaints

The staff reviewed the first 10 months of membership with DUCOMM. Deputy Chief Cooper provided an overview of DUCOMM complaints and how they are reviewed through an Incident Clarification Form. Deputy Chief Cooper also advised that the technical problems have been successfully resolved promptly by DUCOMM. Staff advised that they are very satisfied with the change to DUCOMM.

Administrative Tows

The staff provided an overview of the Administrative Tow Fee program that was instituted in August of 2011 and advised that the tow fees collected to date total \$61,500

Public Surplus

The staff provided an overview of *Public Surplus*, which is the company recently used to sell surplus property owned by the City. Staff advised that the company provided satisfactory service and cut down on staff time previously used to sell surplus property.

Next Meeting Date

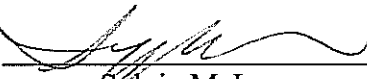
Chairman McIvor announced that the next Committee meeting will be on Thursday, April 5, 2012, 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers unless otherwise noted.

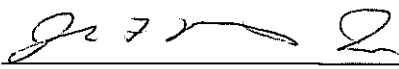
Adjournment

The Committee Meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Approved: Apr. 5, 2012
Date

Alderman: 
Joerg Seifert

Chairman: 
Sylvia McIvor

Alderman: 
John Poteraske