POLICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES April 20, 2015

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the police department training room. In attendance: Alderman Kenny and Alderman Belczak, Chief Brown, Deputy Chief Cooper, Sergeant Greg Cheaure, Officer Nick Skweres, and City Administrator Bryon Vana.

Public Comment and Communications

There were no public comments or communications presented.

Minutes

The minutes of the February 17, 2015, Police Committee meeting were unanimously approved.

Sale of Surplus Property

Staff requested various pieces of City property to be declared as surplus and auctioned using an on-line auction service "Public Surplus" or disposed of accordingly. It was suggested that we ask other City departments if they can use any of the surplus items before we put them up for public auction. The Committee unanimously recommended approval.

Update on Crime Free Housing

Officer Nick Skweres gave an update to the Committee regarding the Crime Free Housing meeting that was held on March 4, 2015 in the police department training room. The reaction to the program from the property managers was very positive. Officer Skweres invited the Committee members to attend one of the upcoming seminars.

Motion to Approve Purchase of Four (4) Police Administrative Vehicles

The Department recommends replacement of four vehicles that are in need of repair. It is their view it is more cost effective to replace these vehicles. A request was made to Staff to look at the cost analysis of purchasing used vehicles as opposed to new. The Committee unanimously recommended approval of this item.

Operations Lieutenant – New Position

Chief Brown highlighted the need for this new position. Alderman Kenny asked whether there is an exam for the Operations Lieutenant position. The question was raised as to what the difference is between an Operations Lieutenant and the Deputy Chief position that was eliminated. The Committee unanimously recommended approval.

<u>Update on Burglary Pattern from November 17th</u>

Chief Brown commented that the Department is continuing to mobilize the community to remain vigilant in reporting suspicious activity. There is an increase of reports of suspicious activity and requests by residents to watch their homes while away.

Monthly Report

The review of the written monthly report will be done at the Council meeting. Chief Brown did highlight several items in the report.

The Committee Meeting was adjourned a	t 6:36 p.m.	
Approved:	Alderman:	
Date		Joseph Kenny
Chairman:	Alderman:	
Sylvia McIvor		Thomas Belczak

Adjournment