

EMERGENCY SERVICES

March 1, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Burtle
Alderman Koonce
Alderman Heberling
Alderman Jones
Mayor Brotherton

ALSO PRESENT

Alderman Walters
Deputy Police Chief Hile
Terry Smith
Bill Newberry
Cindy Dey

Chairman Burtle called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATOR COURSE

Deputy Police Chief Hile is requesting approval to send two Police Officers to the Crime Scene Investigator Course sponsored and instructed by the Illinois State Police Crime Scene Unit. The Officers would be enrolled in the Fall Session beginning September 2012 and the funds would be appropriated in the FY 2012/2013 Police Budget. This course is certified through the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board and is also certified for 50% reimbursement. This course is 160 hours (5 weeks) of intense training covering all aspects of a crime scene. The training is held at the Illinois State Police Training Academy in Springfield with the initial cost of \$2,039.45 per Officer which includes meals. The final cost of the training would be \$1,092.88 per Officer which is more than half as there is a cap on some amounts such as the meals. The reimbursement covers the training, meals, and mileage. Deputy Chief Hile also stated there would be no additional costs associated with this training, specifically overtime.

Motion by Alderman Koonce and seconded by Alderman Heberling to recommend to the City Council to allow Deputy Police Chief Hile to send two Police Officers to attend the Fall Session beginning in September 2012, of the Crime Scene Investigator Course sponsored and instructed by the Illinois State Police Crime Scene Unit at a cost not to exceed \$4,400.00. Motion carried 4-0.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Deputy Police Chief Hile informed the Committee that from 2/2/12 to 2/22/12 total calls for Service were 972. He presented general information and drug fact sheets pertaining to synthetic stimulants that are commonly known as "Bath Salts and K2." Both of these substances are now illegal and are being used in our community. The newer forms of K2 such as K3, K4, and K5 are causing problems and are not yet illegal. He also informed the Committee that methamphetamine is making a strong surge back into our community.

Motion by Alderman Jones and seconded by Alderman Heberling to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

Shawn Burtle, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee