

EMERGENCY SERVICES

February 7, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Burtle
Alderman Koonce
Alderman Heberling
Alderman Jones

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Brotherton
Alderman Walters
Police Chief Herpstreith
David Speagle

Larry Budd
Andy Lasswell
Shirley Sams

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

POLICE VIDEO UPGRADE

Police Chief Herpstreith requested that the Police Video Upgrade be tabled at this time and be placed on next month's agenda.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Police Chief Herpstreith advised there were 1,859 Total Calls for Service for January. He presented a graph to the Committee to discuss the difference in calls and volumes of calls ranging from 2008-2012.

He reported in 2008 there were 17,785 Calls for Service and 992 Traffic Citations compared to 21,539 Calls for Service and 1,124 Traffic Citations in 2012. In 2008 there were 23 sworn personnel compared to 18 sworn personnel in 2012. He stated they were going to have to look at staffing as they are running below staffing and there is one Officer that may be retiring this year. He was asked if Police Officer Steve Miller was included in the 23 sworn personnel; he stated he was and Wes Witrow is not included because he is not on his own yet.

He also stated when comparing calls you have to look at the duties of each shift; you can't compare one Officer on one shift to another Officer on a different shift; looking at the calls per shifts does not give a clear indication of duties.

- He also informed the Committee the new States Attorney, Mike Havera has had a training session with all the Departments working together.
- Officer Molohon and Health and Building Officer George Calvert have begun patrolling in Ward I for abandoned vehicles and have issued warnings; they will continue patrolling the other wards.
- Gave a brief report on the Police Explorers group, they are selling candy for a fundraiser to purchase new uniform shirts. He was asked to invite them to a meeting when available.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Chairman Burtle advised Fire Chief Hackney contacted him and advised that the SAFER Grant will extend for a three year period if the new Firefighter is a veteran.

Motion by Alderman Heberling and seconded by Alderman Jones to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:17 P.M.

Shawn Burtle, Chairman
Emergency Services Committee