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POLICE COMMITTEE
January 16, 2023
Regular Meeting Minutes
Police Department Training Room
1710 Plainfield Road

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. in attendance were Alderman Kenny, Alderman Chlystek and Alderman Vaughan and Chief Thomas.

2. Public Comment and Communications

There was no public comment or communications.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from the December 19, 2022 meeting

Alderman Vaughan motioned to approve the minutes seconded by Alderman Chlystek. The minutes were unanimously approved.

4. Agenda Memo – A Motion Authorizing the Expenditure of Budgeted Funds of up to \$10,000 to Conduct Testing to Establish an Eligibility List from which to Fill Anticipated Police Officer Openings

Chief explained to the committee that the entry-level police officer eligibility list expires in August. The department needs to establish a new list. We obtained quotes from qualified testing vendors. IO Solutions came in as the lowest qualified bid. We have used them for the last several testing cycles. Chief recommends that we use IO Solutions, Inc. again. A discussion ensued about how the department advertises the testing for new police officers and the testing process. They also reviewed the pre-employment tests that are required prior to hiring an officer. Chief advised that the Department currently follows the Civil Service Act that allows us to limit hiring by age. Chief confirmed that the eligibility list is good for two years.

Alderman Chlystek motioned to approve the motion seconded by Alderman Vaughan. The committee unanimously approved the motion.

5. 2nd Student Resource Officer Discussion

Chief Thomas advised that this agenda item is purely for discussion and is very early in

the process. About a month ago, the three Darien school districts approached Deputy Chief Norton about hiring an additional school resource officer. Chief put a placeholder in the FYE24 budget for this purpose. The City and the three school districts will need to work out an agreement in the upcoming months. The agreement will include how to split the resource officer's time among the three districts. Chief noted that there has not been a big change in school activity among the three schools from a police perspective. A student resource officer is typically present for all major school events.

6. Next Meeting Date – February 20, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

7. Adjournment

Alderman Vaughan motioned to adjourn seconded by Alderman Chlystek. The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Approved: _____
Date

Alderman: _____
Eric Gustafson

Chairman: _____
Joseph Kenny

Alderman: _____
Ralph Stompanato