



**Safety Committee Minutes  
Wednesday, August 28, 2013**

Call to Order:

Chair Leslie Miller called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Present: Chair Leslie Miller, Roger Kilgore and Kathy Rhoads arrived at 6:32 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Roger Kilgore made a motion to approve the minutes of July 24, 2013. Leslie Miller seconded the motion. Two aye votes. Minutes were approved as written.

Privilege of the Floor:

None.

Chief's Report:

Chief Burson announced the welcomed addition of the newest member, Ty Maddox Fockler. Ty was born on Thursday, August 22, at 7:43 a.m. at 6 lbs. 14 oz. and 19 in. long. Chief Burson said mom and baby are doing well.

Chief Burson complimented Officer Fockler on a first aid class for the department using the kits he created. The class was more of a tactical approach on how police officers can save themselves.

Earlier in the month, Officer Heideleman had been working detail at the Medina County Fair and was able to recognize a suspect from a video he had seen for a Dollar General case. The suspect was identified. Charges are pending.

Chief Burson has been working with Dennis Gordon for the Run for the Trails. Due to the bridge being out, the Police Department will close High street for a period of 20 -25 minutes.

Chief Burson reported Jerry Coffee will no longer be an Auxiliary Officer and can be taken off the books. It was noted that Mr. Ron Michalec was not officially recommended and accepted by Council as an Auxiliary Officer. Chief Burson said he has a copy of the form turned into the State.

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New Business:

Chief Burson reported he has two options for Workman's Compensation for the Auxiliary Policemen. First option is to increase in payroll or the second option is to purchase blanket coverage. Chief Burson explained the blanket coverage would also include any volunteer. Chief Burson feels the option of payroll changes the dynamics of the Auxiliary program. Chief Burson's recommendation is to pay the fee for the blanket coverage. There was a discussion about the cost of blanket coverage verse hourly wage. Further information will be needed.

Old Business:

Chief Burson reported the National Night Out Open House on Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, went well and the officers were amazing.

Chief Burson is working with Jim Carrick on the 2014 Budget. Mrs. Schwartz asked Chief Burson to be sure to make a five year plan. Chief Burson will forward the budget to the Committee as soon as possible

Chair Miller reminded everyone about the Spaghetti Dinner held on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Fire Department to assist with funds for the Police ATV.

Privilege of the Floor:

Mrs. Schwartz asked about the most updated job descriptions for the Police Department. Chief Burson will forward a copy to the Committee.

Mrs. Schwartz asked Chief Burson about keeping up with oil changes. Mrs. Schwartz also asked Chief Burson to inquire about steel wheels. The Committee has concerns with voiding the manufacturer's warranty. The Chief took the action items to check manufacturer recommendations and get back to the Committee with more information.

A motion to adjourn the meeting by Roger Kilgore and was seconded by Kathy Rhoads. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Leslie Miller  
Safety Committee Chair