



**Safety Committee Minutes
Wednesday, September 25, 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 and Kathy Rhoads

Absent: Roger Kilgore

Approval of Minutes:

Kathy Rhoads made a motion to approve the minutes of August 28, 2013. Leslie Miller seconded the motion. Two aye votes. Minutes were approved as written.

Privilege of the Floor:

None.

Chief's Report:

Chief Burson introduced the newest Auxiliary Officer, Adam Houck. Chief Burson said Adam graduated from the Police Academy earlier this year and has been given a high recommendation from Chief Patterson the Commander from the Academy and Chief of Police in Westfield. Mr. Houck was chosen for the Commander Award among his peers in his graduating class. Chief Burson said that Mr. Houck served as Staff Sergeant in the US Army serving three tours in Iraq and one tour in Afghanistan. Chair Miller thanked Mr. Houck for his service and welcomed him to the Department. Mr. Houck took a moment and spoke that he was raised in Lakewood and currently lives in Brunswick. Kathy Rhoads made a motion to recommend Mr. Houck as an Auxiliary Officer to Council and Leslie Miller seconded the motion.

Chief Burson informed the Committee that it has been an unusually busy month. There have been home intrusions and car break-ins starting on a Sunday and they had a suspect in custody by Wednesday. Officer Phillips was praised for being able to get a confession by that Friday. The Department had a lot of work to complete in a small amount of time and they operated well under the circumstances. Chief Burson also thanked Councilman Rick Stallard for his assistance with a citizen last Sunday.

Chief Burson mentioned it is time to replace two laptops that were budgeted. The Sheriff's department is changing the dispatch requirements.

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New Business:

None.

Old Business:

The 2014 Budget is still in progress. Chief Burson will forward the budget to the Committee the first part of next week.

Chair Miller reminded everyone about the Spaghetti Dinner held on Saturday, October 5th, 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 workers compensation in the budget. Chief Burson said it is in the budget for \$675. Chief Burson confirmed the Pension Fund was turned in as the same number as last year. The effective date for workers compensation is still unknown.

A motion to adjourn the meeting by Kathy Rhoads and was seconded by Leslie Miller. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Leslie Miller
Safety Committee Chair