

ARLINGTON POLICE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 24, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Vice Chairperson Schauer.

Members present: Vice Chairperson Schauer, Uhden, Councilmember Reetz, Councilmember Wills,
Police Chief Rovinsky, Chief Deputy Sheriff Nienaber
Members absent: Mayor Kreft, Allison, Chairperson Ehlke
Also present: City Administrator Jaunich

Motion by Reetz, seconded by Uhden, and passed by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the February 22, 2010 meeting as presented.

Chief Deputy Sheriff Nienaber presented the March and April Sheriff's Department reports. It was noted that there were 8 calls/billable at 7.5 hours in April with 6 hours of school patrol and 19.5 hours of regular patrol.

Chief Rovinsky presented the February and March Police Department reports. He stated that the PD had responded to 75 calls in March and 73 in April. He commented on the vandalism issues occurring at Four Seasons Park. It was suggested to leave the lights on in the park to act as a deterrent.

Rovinsky also presented the 2009 year-end report, which included introduction (bio's with pictures) information for all of the full/part time officers currently on staff with the City. It was noted that with the current pool of officers, vacation/sick leave hasn't been an issue this year.

Discussion was held on the issue of semi-truck drivers parking their trucks along Hwy 5 and causing view obstructions at various intersections. Chief Rovinsky has contacted MnDOT on this and was informed the City can create an ordinance regulating parking along State Hwy 5 within city limits, but cannot regulate the speed of State Hwy 5. Adm. Jaunich commented that there are only a couple of complaints a year about trucks parking along Hwy 5.

Brief discussion was held on where the most traffic (speed) violations are observed within the city limits.

Brief discussion was held on the number of officers needed for the Town & Country Days event. Concern was expressed about the additional expense the City incurs with having to put on extra officers to cover the event at no cost to the organization hosting the event; whereas unlike at the Community Center, renters pay for the officers needed.

Adm. Jaunich reported that 212 pet licenses had been issued as of May 18th and approximately 50 + were outstanding from 2009.

The date for the next meeting was discussed. It was the consensus of the Committee to meet in either July or August pending agenda items.

Motion by Wills, and seconded by Schauer, and passed by unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting at 1:51 pm.

Vice Chairperson Marlys Schauer

Secretary Vicki Pomplun