

# **FRANKLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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## POLICE COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY APRIL 18, 2013 FRANKLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Douglas Boyd called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. on Thursday, April 18, 2013. The following were present: City Manager Elizabeth Dragon, Chief David Goldstein, Lt. Stephanie Clough, Councilor Bob Sharon, Councilor Dzuina, Councilor Trudel and Finance Director Judie Milner.

### **I. GENERAL BUSINESS**

Chief Goldstein distributed some graphs for the committee to review showing the activity in the police department. In 2011 there were 44,564 calls for service logged which was an increase from 2010 by over 5,000. He explained there has been a definite increase in felony arrests. Also, the department is handling more in the way of involved, complex cases.

Chief Goldstein indicated the department is in the process of hiring two new officers. Backgrounds are currently being done on the individuals but he is hoping to enroll them in the next Police Academy. Chief Goldstein advised the committee of the promotion of Penny Stephens as his secretary. However, the part-time position she held as patrol secretary at the department is being frozen until further notice.

### **II. BUDGET REVIEW**

Chief Goldstein indicated the line on the budget for Staff Development/Ammunition Expenses needs to be increased due to the rising ammunition costs in the current economy. He also indicated the line for Uniform Cleaning will also need to be increased. Chief Goldstein explained the line has been level funded for the last three years but the dry cleaning company has to increase their prices.

Chief Goldstein indicated the line for Professional Services could be reduced due to the fact the department will no longer be doing the work study program for law school interns. UNH School of Law is moving away from offering the program to their students.

Chair Boyd questioned what big items the police department was looking for. Chief Goldstein indicated they would be asking for two new cruisers. He explained currently eight of the ten cars in the fleet have over 90,000 miles on them. Chief Goldstein also pointed out these cruisers run 24/7. City Manager Dragon indicated her and the Finance Director, Judie Milner think it's likely the department will be able to get the two new cruisers in the upcoming budget.

Lt. Clough advised the department has received over \$16,000 in grants from Highway Safety and Fish and Game.

II. **OTHER BUSINESS**

Chair Boyd inquired about the DARE program. Chief Goldstein advised it is still in effect.

Chief Goldstein advised some of the files have been moved to a secure storage area at the City's Water Treatment Facility which has helped with file space at the police department.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Penny Stephens*  
Chief's Secretary