

**POLICE COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
October 21, 2013**

**Call to Order**

Chairman McIvor called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Darien City Hall. In attendance: Chairman McIvor, Alderman Kenny and Alderman Belczak, Deputy Chief John Cooper, Administrator Vana.

**Public Comment and Communications**

There were no public comment or communications presented.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the August 19, 2013, Police Committee meeting approved 3-0.

**Crime Free Housing Program**

Staff advised at the August 19, 2013, Police Committee meeting Chief Brown mentioned that the staff is reviewing a crime free rental housing program that will be discussed during goal setting. The committee requested a general discussion prior to the goal setting to become familiar with this issue. There are approximately 40 communities in the Chicago land region that have some version of the crime free housing program. The specific program varies with each community. The common elements within most of the programs include Owners of rental units are required to have a license in order to rent property, Owners are required to attend crime free housing training conducted by the police department, and Owners are required to include a crime free housing addendum in all leases which includes tenants who fail to comply with the crime free lease addendum must be evicted. The committee asked what prompted this concept to be raised. Administrator Vana advised that we are experiencing an increase in police service calls for the larger complexes. Vana also stated that this program being discussed as a proactive program dealing with this prior to it becoming a larger issue. The committee also asked if staff would meet with the complex managers for feedback. Administrator Vana advised we will notify the complex managers for their feedback.

**Surplus Property**

Staff advised that there are 77 miscellaneous items to be declared surplus and auctioned or disposed of. The Police Committee unanimously recommended approval of an ordinance declaring the items surplus property and that the property to be auctioned using Public Surplus or be disposed of.

**Department Report**

Deputy Chief distributed a handout showing the administrative tow fees collected to date. Alderman McIvor asked about a parking ticket recently issue to a resident whose car was blocking a sidewalk. McIvor suggested staff consider a warning ticket for those situations, similar to the process staff would use for a zoning violation.

**Adjournment**

The Committee Meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Alderman: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph Kenny

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sylvia McIvor

Alderman: \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas Belczak