



# DARIEN POLICE



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**POLICE COMMITTEE  
November 18, 2019  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Police Department Training Room  
1710 Plainfield Road**

1. Call to Order

**Commissioner Joe Kenny called the regular meeting of the Darien Police Commission to order at 6:03 p.m. In attendance were commissioners Joseph Kenny, Lester Vaughan and Thomas Chlystek and Chief of Police Greg Thomas**

2. Public Comment and Communications

**There was no public comment or communication.**

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from August 19, 2019

**Commissioner Chlystek motioned to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2019 meeting seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. The minutes were unanimously approved.**

4. Agenda Memo – A request for approval of an ordinance authorizing the sale or disposal of surplus property.

**Commissioner Chlystek motioned to approve the ordinance seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. The ordinance was unanimously approved.**

5. Agenda Memo – A resolution to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Board of Education of Hinsdale Township High School District NO. 86 and the City of Darien for the Reciprocal Reporting of Criminal Offenses Committed by Students.

**Chief Thomas explained to the committee that this is a new agreement with District 86. In the past, this agreement was included in the previous Student Resource Officer agreement. Chief felt it was best to separate the reciprocal reporting agreement because there are very specific statutes that apply to reciprocal reporting. This agreement would allow the Darien Police Department to share law enforcement information regarding any District 86 students with the school in order**

**for the school to determine if they would take any disciplinary action against a student. The committee discussed various scenarios where DPD would share information with the school or vice versa. Commissioner Vaughan inquired whether this information could be used in court against a student and Chief replied that the rules of evidence would have to be followed in order to submit evidence in court. There are very specific statutes that apply. Commissioner Vaughan motioned to approve the resolution seconded by Commissioner Chlystek. The motion was unanimously approved.**

6. Agenda Memo - A resolution to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Board of Education of Hinsdale Township High School District NO. 86 and the City of Darien authorizing the City Police Department's Emergency Access to School Security Video Feeds and Radio Frequencies

**Chief Thomas recommended this agreement because it makes sense to have access during school emergencies to information (videos and radio frequencies) in real time. Commissioner Kenny asked what would qualify as an emergency and Chief Thomas gave examples of an active assailant or criminal sexual assault. The committee also discussed how rules of privacy and evidence would come into play and how very specific statutes govern the use of this information. Commissioner Vaughan motioned to approve the agreement seconded by commissioner Chlystek. The motion was unanimously approved.**

7. Agenda Memo - A resolution to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Board of Education of Hinsdale Township High School District NO. 86 and the City of Darien for School Resource Officer Services from 2019 – 2021

**Chief Thomas reviewed with the committee that he worked with District 86 to update their current SRO agreement because it had not been updated since the 1980's. The committee discussed the type of training and certifications that are required of the SRO officer including diversity training. They also discussed how the salary and benefits of the officer are paid. Commissioner Vaughan motioned to approve the resolution seconded by commissioner Chlystek. The resolution was unanimously approved.**

8. Agenda Memo – A resolution to approve the purchase of a three year Employee Assistance Program from ComPsych Guidance Resources Worldwide in the amount of \$5,475

Chief advised the committee that the current employee assistance program (EAP) utilized by the City is not functional. He gave specific examples of times when officers attempted to contact the EAP representatives to get help with problems and they would not get an acceptable response from the agency. For this reason he is recommending we switch to ComPsych Guidance Resources Worldwide.

Commissioner Vaughan motioned to approve seconded by commissioner Chlystek. The resolution was unanimously approved.

9. Chief's Monthly Report

**The Chief reviewed his monthly report with the committee. The committee discussed various crime trends, numbers and categories within the report.**

10. Next Meeting Date – December 16, 2019

11. Adjournment

**The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.**

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

Alderman: \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas Chlystek

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph Kenny

Alderman: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lester Vaughan