



DARIEN POLICE



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POLICE COMMITTEE
September 21, 2026
Meeting Minutes
Police Department Training Room
1710 Plainfield Road

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in attendance were Alderman Joseph Kenny, Alderman Eric Gustafson, Alderman Ralph Stompanato and Chief Greg Thomas.

2. Public Comment and Communications

There was no public comment. The committee discussed the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests received by Darien resident Sylvia McIvor. Chief advised the responses to her requests were sent and will be answered.

3. Approval of the minutes from the August 17, 2026 meeting

Alderman Stompanto motioned to approve the minutes seconded by Alderman Gustafson. The minutes were approved.

4. Consideration of a motion to purchase ammunition

Chief Thomas stated this is an annual request to purchase ammunition to update the ammunition for the police department. The department is requesting approval of purchase which was quoted per the state bid contract.

Alderman Gustafson motioned to approve seconded by Alderman Stompanato. The motion was approved.

5. Consideration of a motion to hire an architect to assess the police department building

Chief Thomas advised that the building was built in 1995. There were issues early on with design. For example, there was no place to process evidence. Flooding issues have caused the department to change locations of some areas. The sergeants' office which was downstairs is now upstairs. The evidence room which is downstairs also flooded but no evidence was destroyed. Chief would like to hire an architect to assess the building and advise on best ways to improve the building and use of the facility. With an expert's advice, the department can make an informed decision on changes to the building to make it more functional for today's needs.

Alderman Stompanato motioned to approve seconded by Alderman Gustafson. The motion was approved.

6. **Darien Police Monthly Report**

Chief informed the committee that many people have a misunderstanding of what Urban SDK and Flock does. Urban SDK is software that counts how many cars are traveling on a certain roadway and their speed. In the past Public Works personnel would have to manually set up devices and download the data. Urban SDK now does this much more efficiently. There are a number of success stories where complaints were received about perceived speeding on a roadway. Alderman are able to access the data and respond to residents with real data and analysis on whether speeding is occurring. The department will continue to monitor hot spot areas where complaints of speeding are received. Chief advised that Urban SDK went online at the end of August 2026.

Alderman Kenny asked a question about the rates per 100,000 used in the monthly report. Chief advised this is a calculation used by the FBI. He asked a few other questions about the crime statistics reported.

7. **Next Meeting Date – Monday September 21, 2026**

Alderman Kenny noted that the next meeting date on the agenda was incorrect. The next meeting date should be listed as October 19, 2026.

8. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Approved: _____
Date

Alderman: _____
Eric Gustafson

Chairman: _____
Joseph Kenny

Alderman: _____
Ralph Stompanato