



Borough of Lansdale
Public Safety Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 5, 2020
6:15 pm
Lansdale Borough Hall
1 Vine Street, Lansdale PA 19446
ZOOM Meeting

I. **Old Business:**

- A. Noise Ordinance:** The chief advised the committee a new noise ordinance which was prepared by Code Enforcement and the police department to deal with various types of noise issues such as early construction and other nuisances. The committee voted 2-0 to prepare and advertise.
- B. New Civil Service Regulations:** The chief advised the committee of new rule changes to the borough's civil service code allowing for greater diversity in the hiring process. Specifically, the changes would eliminate the requirement for police certified training, ACT-120, as a condition to apply for a position. While this will require the borough to pay for any necessary training to obtain ACT-120 training, the benefits far exceed the cost to the borough. The committee voted 2-0 to prepare and advertise the rule changes.
- C. Body Worn Cameras:** The chief reviewed with the committee a proposal from WatchGuard to purchase 28 Body Worn Camera's or BWC for the Lansdale Borough Police Department. The estimated cost for the cameras and related fees is \$75,140. The chief further advised the committee that the cost of the BWC's should be covered in the 2020 budget because of savings from the COVID-19 cost savings measures undertaken in April 2020. The committee voted 2-0 to approve the purchase of 28 BWC's at a price not to exceed \$78,000.

II. New Business:

A. Stove & Tap road closure request: The chief presented to the committee a special event request from Stove and Tap to continue with closure of North Wood Street from West Main to Madison Street in support of outside dining. The committee votes 2-0 to approve the application.

II. Public Comment

Nancy Fry- Mrs. Fry asked some question relating the cost of the body camera's and the chief reviewed his belief that cost savings from the COVID-19 would cover the program.

***- Possible Action Item at Business Meeting**

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