

Amberley Village Council
Police-Fire Committee – Meeting Minutes
June 22, 2016

Present: Peg Conway (chair), Natalie Wolf (committee), Rich Bardach (committee), PO Chris Roeseler, Tom Muething, Scot Lahrmer, Chief Wallace

Prior Minutes

The minutes from the meeting of April 25 were approved as submitted.

License Plate Readers

The department has found LPRs to be very helpful for apprehending suspects and providing officers advance information when approaching a traffic stop. A total of \$36,000 was included in the budget to purchase two additional license plate readers to be installed in the new cruisers in process of being purchased. The department pursued a grant opportunity with several other jurisdictions but was not successful so would like to purchase them now. The total cost for two systems including installation and the service agreement for storing the data for four years is \$39,260. Anticipated life span of an LPR is 8 to 10 years. Rich Bardach moved to recommend that Council approve this purchase. Seconded by Natalie Wolf and the motion passed unanimously.

Department Update

- Bike Safety Fair – The event is being planned for July 17. They plan to expand activities, including for younger children. Bike helmets will again be available with Children's Hospital staff present to fit them.
- Officer safety – Reporting back on an earlier item, the Chief said that the added fencing, signage and cameras around the back are having the desired effect of keeping the public out of the police area. These measures seem to be sufficient and are accomplishing their goals. No additional action planned at this time.
- Alarm monitoring – The Chief continues to research avenues to provide additional alarm monitoring options for residents. Most recently he identified a receiver system that could be purchased for dispatch at an approximate cost of \$10,000 which would allow residents to purchase their alarm systems from various companies of their choice and connect with this system to be monitored by the village. The Committee was interested to learn more about how this might work, specifically the potential costs to residents who might want to upgrade and switch to this arrangement as well as revenue impact for the village. The Chief will continue to refine the proposal and report back in August.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.