

**POLICE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 6, 2010**

The meeting was called to order by Commission Chairman Dave Gough at 6:00 PM. Present at roll call were: Dave Gough, Janet West, Roger Fisher, Dennis E. Murphy and Gary Ringen. Absent: None. Also present were: Mayor Dave Breunig, Don Osterday, Cindy Corley, Steve Pickett, John Sonsalla, Chief Jason King, Bob Salmi, Jean Kruser and Phil Risseeuw.

Motion by Murphy second by West that the meeting notice and agenda were properly posted. Motion carried. Motion by Ringen second by Fisher to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Under new business, Chief King presented the 2011 Police Department budget for review and approval. A copy of the proposed budget was included in the agenda packet. The proposed budget calls for total revenues of \$21,600.00, and total expenditures of \$447,745.29. In addition, the following outlay requests are being made: Police Outlay - \$10,000.00, and DARE Outlay - \$1,000.00. Also, a Canine Unit Outlay was added to the worksheet. After his presentation, Chief King answered questions from those present concerning the proposed budget.

Chief King explained the 2011 expenses includes a 2.0% wage increase for the Chief and secretary as was authorized by Mayor Breunig; and 3.0% wage increases for the police officers as was included in the union contract. The remaining budget items are an average of the past three years. The total expenditures are 3.88% higher than the 2010 totals. Mayor Breunig requested all department heads to keep their budget expenditures within 2.0% of 2010 expenses; and this proposed budget exceeds that amount. Bev Anderson arrived at the meeting at 6:15 PM.

Mayor Breunig stated the proposed budget increase was not acceptable, and changes need to be made. He also suggested for future years, the City will be receiving less shared revenue, and severe cuts will need to be made in Police Department and other department's budget. Several Commission members felt the proposed increases in the 2011 proposed Police Department budget were justified. After discussion and consideration, motion by Ringen second by Fisher to recommend to the Council the approval of the proposed 2011 Police Department budget as presented. Motion carried.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by West second by Ringen to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 PM. Motion carried.

CITY OF DARLINGTON

Philip A. Risseeuw, Clerk-Treasurer