

## Police Department Committee Meeting January 11, 2024

Police Department Committee Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bryan Davidson at 6:33pm on January 11, 2024 in the council chambers. Members present include Bryan, Lisa, Jeff V , Krystal, and Kelly. Also present were Chief Bobby Martinez, Mayor Meints and Mark Meints.

The committee discussed the current police officer compensation, after some discussion it was decided that if you want to get an officer to look at our community then we need to be as competitive as our neighboring departments. Kelly made a motion, seconded by Lisa, to start at \$23 an hour then move to \$26 per hour after being certified. Motion carried 5-0

Chief Martinez presented a copy of an application for the police officer position. The candidate has had a formal interview. Motion by Jeff, seconded by Lisa to give the application to the Mayor and Council. Motion carried 5-0

Motion made by Kelly, seconded by Jeff to keep Ashley, police secretary, as an on call position for when she is needed. Motion carried 5-0

Mayor Meints stated that there is no residency requirements, Chief Martinez has no problem with them living in a different state than working. Motion made by Jeff, seconded by Kelly to defer residency requirements to council. Motion carried 5-0

Motion to adjourn by Kelly at 7:22pm