

**City of Williamsburg
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2014
5:00 p.m.**

The Williamsburg City Council met in regular session on March 10, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in the Williamsburg City Hall.

Councilmember Present:

**Patty Faulkner
Richard Foley
Troy Sharp
Mary Ann Stanfill
Laurel West**

Absent:

Erica Harris

Others Present:

Teresa Black, City Clerk; Greta Price, City Attorney;, Alvin Sharp, Tourism Director; Nannie Hayes, Main Street Director; James Privett, Fire Chief; Wayne Bird, Police Chief; and Whitley Republican

Mayor Harrison declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order.

I. Approval of February 10, 2014 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

A motion by Councilmember Foley and seconded by Councilmember Stanfill to approve February 10, 2014 Regular Council Meeting Minutes. All voting aye, motion carried.

II. Floor Business

Police Chief Wayne Bird gave an annual report on the activity of the police department for the year 2013, he stated the department answered 249 reckless driving complaints, 165 activated alarm calls, and 155 involved suspicious person or vehicle complaints. The police department investigated 161 accidents without injuries and 26 accidents with injuries. He stated the police issued 1,244 uniform citations in 2013 compared to 1,871 in 2012. Out of those in 2013, 77 citations were issued for speeding and 412 citations were for seatbelt violation. The department also made 739 criminal arrests in 2013 including 83 criminal felony cases, which were presented to the Whitley County Grand Jury. The department received a \$6,000 highway safety grant in 2013, and has applied for a \$10,000 grant this year.

Police Chief said that his department is hoping to offer a citizen's police academy this year that will be similar to the one offered by Kentucky State Police.

The department recently signed an agreement with the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) which will pay overtime for the officers assisting ATF with federal cases. Police Chief also stated the department implemented a full-time canine program in March 2013 with one supervisor over the program, two officers, one patrol dog and two explosive sniffing dogs. In June, a second dog was added and both K-9 handlers have a patrol dog and a bomb dog. The canines were called out 20 times during 2013.

Fire Chief James Privett gave an annual report on the activity of the fire department. He stated the firefighters responded to a total of 190 calls in 2013 compared to 171 calls in 2012. Out of those calls in 2013, 28 were fires, 81 involved motor vehicle collisions, three involved searches for missing people, three involved extrications and two involved water related rescues among other calls. Mr Privett stated the department became certified in search and rescue and completed its recertification process for confined space and rescue training, which was part of an effort done in conjunction with Firestone. The department has also completed a 40-hour training dealing with radioactive material.

IV Adjournment

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Stanfill and seconded by Councilmember Sharp. All voting aye, motion carried.

Roddy Harrison, Mayor

ATTEST

Teresa Black, City Clerk