

Police Department Update  
Council Meeting February 20th, 2024

**Crossing Guard-**

Has been filled.

**Radios-**

As previously discussed our radios are dilapidated and will be outdated, and not able to be programmable after Dec of 2024. While looking for grants We were assigned a new case manager from Motorola and was advised that our radio could be refurbished and be operable. We are currently working with Tel-Rad on getting our radio refurbished and a new warranty program set up. Saving us in the ball park of 35k.

**Recruitment and Hiring-**

We have recently sent a letter of conditional offer of employment to our candidate. We have reserved a place in the Spring Academy @ GVSU. The candidate's tuition and wages will be paid by a MCOLES Grant (\$24,000). MITN person coming in the next week to set up the academy and the grant paperwork.

**2024 Training Schedule-**

The 2024 Training schedule is complete.

**Annual Reporting to MCOLES/MITN**

The annual reporting for 2023 with the State has been completed.

**Grants-**

The Department is working with Linnea on applying for a COPS Grant to work on a community based event.

In addition we are working on a gun violence grant to come up with ideas on how to combat local gun violence and crime.

**GUNS-**

We are working with several different companies on getting our old department guns traded in for new ones, to be in line with what risk management wants as far as the whole department using the same weapon. The vendor we got a quote from puts the difference with our trade -ins at 798 dollars. That includes night sights on the new weapons.