Hiawatha Police to get New In-Car Video Cameras (KNZA)--New in-car digital video cameras will be installed in four of the Hiawatha Police Department's patrol cars.

On the recommendation of Police Chief John Defore, the Hiawatha City Commission Monday evening approved the purchase of the recording systems from Digital Ally for a cost of \$11,300. It was among two bids received.

Defore says the camera systems are a great law enforcement tool. He says they will replace the current systems, which are out-dated and haven't functioned for several years.

Also the commission approved the purchase of new digital door locks for the police department building. Five locks will be purchased from Lloyd's Lock and Key for a total cost of 85 hundred dollars.

Bids are also being obtained for new tasers and a new phone system for the police department.

The city has been awarded a loan and grant through USDA Rural Development for the purchase of public safety equipment.

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