

ST. JOHN POLICE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING ON MAY 14, 2007

The May 2007 Regular Meeting of the Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners of the Town of St. John was held on May 14, 2007 at 7:00 P.M., as advertised, pursuant to law. Commissioner Dodaro called the meeting to order and then led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with the following members of the Police Commission being present; namely, William Dodaro, Donald Farris, and Rose Hejl. Also present was Police Chief Fred Frego. Town Council Liaison Chuck Pearson and Commissioners Robert Long and Ronald Vale were not present. Tonight's meeting did not require legal representation from the law firm of Austgen, Kuiper and Associates, PC.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES

Commissioner Vale made a motion to approve and accept the minutes from the April 23, 2007 Regular Meeting as written. With a second by Commissioner Hejl, the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

CORRESPONDENCE / COMMUNICATIONS

There were no items of "Correspondence / Communications" presented at tonight's meeting.

POLICE DEPARTMENT'S MONTHLY REPORT

Chief Frego read the monthly report for April 2007. Chief Frego stated that from April 1, 2007 through April 30, 2007, the members of the St. John Police Department logged 23,583 miles and responded to 497 incidents. The investigation of these incidents led to 39 adult arrests with 58 charges being filed and 8 juvenile arrests with 11 charges being filed. There were 346 traffic citations issued along with 136 written warnings for a total of 482 citations being issued during the month of April 2007 by the officers of the St. John Police Department. Also during the month of April, vehicle thefts totaled \$7,200.00, and all other thefts totaled \$44,479.00. The total value of recovered property was \$6,400.00. Regarding grant activity, Chief Frego stated the officers of the St. John Police Department, while working the OPO / BCC / OSS / DUI Taskforce Grants, issued 58 traffic citations and 188 written warnings for a total of 246 citations being issued on the grants during the month of April 2007. The investigation of these violations resulted in 11 adult arrests with 18 charges being filed and 1 juvenile arrest with 1 charge being filed on the grants for the month of April 2007.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no matters of "Old Business."

REPORTS

Budget – There was nothing new to report under this topic.

Physical Plant – Chief Frego advised the new facility is almost done. The contractors are finishing up the site work in preparation for the blacktop and sidewalks. Technology work is being completed on the inside.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Police Officer Hiring Process Update – Chief Frego advised Officer Shane Adams will take his physical agility re-test on June 26, 2007. Physical agility testing of Officer Adams will begin at the station on June 1, 2007. Officer David Oszust is scheduled to graduate from the Academy on July 11, 2007.

NEW BUSINESS

New General Order 119.19 – Identity Theft and Revised Table of Contents Page iii - Chief Frego presented a new general order along with a revised Table of Contents, which incorporates the new general order, for review by the Commission. After some discussion, Commissioner Hejl made a motion to accept the revised Table of Contents Page iii and the new General Order 19.19 – Identity Theft as written. With a second by Commissioner Farris, the motion carried unanimously (3-0).

CHIEF'S COMMENTS

Chief Frego advised the Commission that Officer Seven Flores, who is a member of Lake County's Pipes & Drums, is currently in Washington, D.C. with that organization honoring fallen officers. Lake County Sheriff's Department, Munster Police Department and Schererville Police Department were also hosting memorial celebrations for fallen officers within the next week. In conjunction with Law Enforcement Memorial week, Lake County was hosting a contest for the best looking squad car on May 19, 2007. Officer M. Moffitt's squad (#17), a Dodge Charger, was being entered into this contest.

Chief Frego advised the Commission he would be on vacation and out of the office from May 19 thru May 28, 2007.

ANY AND ALL

There were no items of "Any and All."

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments received from the public.

MEETING SCHEDULE

The next Regular Meeting will be on Monday, June 11, 2007. There will be a Work Study Session only if deemed necessary. The Regular Public Meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M. Any and all Executive Sessions will be advertised pursuant to law.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Farris made a motion for adjournment. With a second by Commissioner Hejl, the meeting was adjourned.

Town of St. John, Lake County
Indiana, Board of Metropolitan
Police Commissioners

Rose Hejl, Secretary

ATTEST:

Joan M. Kolodziej, Recording Secretary