

ST. JOHN POLICE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING ON AUGUST 13, 2007

The August 2007 Regular Meeting of the Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners of the Town of St. John was held on August 13, 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, Rose Hejl, and Ronald Vale. Also present were Police Chief Fred Frego, Town Council Liaison Chuck Pearson, and Attorney David Austgen. Commissioner Robert Long was not present.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES

July 9, 2007 Regular Meeting - Commissioner Hejl made a motion to approve the minutes as written from the July 9, 2007 meeting. With a second by Commissioner Farris, the motion carried unanimously (3-0).

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 July 2007. Chief Frego stated that from July 1, 2007 through July 31, 2007, the members of the St. John Police Department logged 22,842 miles and responded to 588 incidents. The investigation of these incidents led to 31 adult arrests with 45 charges being filed and 12 juvenile arrests with 12 charges being filed. There were 302 traffic citations issued along with 155 written warnings for a total of 457 citations being issued during the month of July 2007 by the officers of the St. John Police Department. Also during the month of July, vehicle thefts totaled \$15,995.00, and all other thefts totaled \$3,587.00. The total value of recovered property was \$12,000.00. Regarding grant activity, Chief Frego stated the officers of the St. John Police Department, while working the OPO / BCC / OSS / DUI Taskforce Grants, issued 40 traffic citations and 160 written warnings for a total of 200 citations being issued on the grants during the month of July 2007. The investigation of these violations resulted in 5 adult arrests with 8 charges being filed and 0 juvenile arrests with 0 charges being filed on the grants for the month of July 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 station is good and is up and running. There still is some fine-tuning going on, but things are good overall.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Chief Frego advised Officer Shane Adams took his physical agility assessment test last week and passed. Officer Adams is currently attending the Northwest Indiana Law Enforcement Training Academy in Gary, Indiana.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of “New Business” brought before the Commission at tonight’s meeting.

CHIEF’S COMMENTS

Chief Frego had no comments this evening.

ANY AND ALL

Commissioner Dodaro stated that at last month’s meeting, resident Adrian Bugariu was present and had made some comments. Mr. Bugariu was also requesting Officer Complaint Forms, which he had been given prior to last month’s meeting. Since that meeting, which was held on July 9, 2007, Chief Frego states Mr. Bugariu has not made any further contact with the Police Department. Commissioner Dodaro asked that this information be documented in tonight’s meeting minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments received from the public.

MEETING SCHEDULE

The next Regular Meeting will be on Monday, September 10, 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 Vale, 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