

## **ST. JOHN POLICE COMMISSION**

### **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING ON OCTOBER 8, 2007**

The October 2007 Regular Meeting of the Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners of the Town of St. John was held on October 8, 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, and Attorney Tim Kuiper. Commissioner Robert Long and Town Council Liaison Charles Pearson were not present.

### **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES**

**September 10, 2007 Regular Meeting** - Commissioner Hejl made a motion to approve the minutes as written from the September 10, 2007 meeting. With a second by Commissioner Vale, the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

### **CORRESPONDENCE / COMMUNICATIONS**

Commissioner Dodaro advised the Commission received a thank you card from Commissioner Robert Long's family.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT'S MONTHLY REPORT**

Chief Frego read the monthly report for September 2007. Chief Frego stated that from September 1, 2007 through September 30, 2007, the members of the St. John Police Department logged 23,945 miles and responded to 478 incidents. The investigation of these incidents led to 34 adult arrests with 48 charges being filed and 2 juvenile arrests with 2 charges being filed. There were 301 traffic citations issued along with 105 written warnings for a total of 406 citations being issued during the month of September 2007 by the officers of the St. John Police Department. Also during the month of September, vehicle thefts totaled \$0.00, and all other thefts totaled \$9,642.00. The total value of recovered property was \$19,107.00. Regarding grant activity, Chief Frego stated the officers of the St. John Police Department, while working the OPO / BCC / OSS / DUI Taskforce Grants, issued 180 traffic citations and 38 written warnings for a total of 218 citations being issued on the grants during the month of September 2007. The investigation of these violations resulted in 7 adult arrests with 11 charges being filed and 1 juvenile arrest with 2 charges being filed on the grants for the month of September 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 stated the new Public Safety Facility's Open House, held on Sunday, October 7, 2007, was very successful. Chief Frego commented that this year's Open House had the highest attendance ever, as he estimated over 1000 people went through the Open House. Tours of the facility were very popular. The Dedication Ceremony was at 2:00 P.M. and was very nicely done. The Fire Department did a good job, as well as all the police officers. Chief Frego stated he was very happy and proud of the entire event.

**HUMAN RESOURCES**

**Reserve Officer Applicants** – Chief Frego stated the Department will be conducting the physical agility testing for the new Reserve Officer applicants on Saturday, October 27, 2008. Chief Frego stated there are some applicants that are currently on the Police Officer Eligibility List, as well as several new applications have been received. In all, there are approximately 15 applicants. Chief Frego advised it is the Department's intent to add four (4) additional Reserve Officers to the Department. Details of the locations for the physical agility test and the written test should be available later this week. Commissioner Farris, speaking on behalf of the Commission, stated the Commission would like to be advised of this information so that members of the Commission could be present at the testing.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There were no items of "New Business" brought before the Commission at tonight's meeting.

**CHIEF'S COMMENTS**

Chief Frego had no additional comments to make at this time.

**ANY AND ALL**

There were no matters brought before the Commission under "Any and All."

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no comments received from the public.

**MEETING SCHEDULE**

The next Regular Meeting will be on Monday, November 12, 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 Hejl made a motion for adjournment. With a second by Commissioner Farris, the meeting was adjourned.

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

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Rose Hejl, Secretary

ATTEST:

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Joan M. Kolodziej, Recording Secretary