

ST. JOHN POLICE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING APRIL 12, 2010

The April 2010 Regular Meeting of the Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners of the Town of St. John was held on April 12, 2010 at 7:00 P.M., as advertised, pursuant to law. Commissioner Dodaro called the meeting to order promptly at 7:00 P.M. 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 was Chief of Police Fred Frego. Commissioner Robert Long arrived just after the meeting adjourned. Town Council Liaison Jerri Teibel was not present. Also, no legal representation was present at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES

March 8, 2010 Regular Meeting - Commissioner Farris, made a motion to approve the minutes as written from the March 8, 2010 Regular Meeting. With a second by Commissioner Hejl, the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

CORRESPONDENCE / COMMUNICATIONS

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT'S MONTHLY REPORT

Chief Frego read the monthly report for March 2010. Chief Frego stated that from March 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010, the members of the St. John Police Department logged 17,700 miles and responded to 511 incidents. The investigation of these incidents led to 26 adult arrests with 34 charges being filed, and 5 juvenile arrests with 5 charges being filed. There were 343 traffic citations issued along with 64 written warnings for a total of 407 citations being issued during the month of March 2010 by the officers of the St. John Police Department. Also during the month of March, vehicle thefts totaled \$0.00, and all other thefts totaled \$3,910.00. The total value of recovered property was \$3,450.00. The officers of the St. John Police Department, while working the OPO / BCC / DDE / DUI Taskforce Grants, issued 35 traffic citations and 34 written warnings for a total of 69 citations being issued on the grants during ht month of March 2010. The investigation of these violations resulted in 0 adult arrests with 0 charges being filed and 0 juvenile arrests with 0 charges being filed o the grants for the month of March 2010.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no items of "Old Business" for tonight's meeting.

REPORTS

Budget – There was nothing new to report on the Budget.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Police Officer Eligibility List – Commissioner Dodaro stated the Final Register of Police Officer Candidates was posted on April 5, 2010. The list will be in effect for two (2) years. Commissioner Dodaro stated the list contains 25 fine candidates, any of whom will be an asset to the St. John Police Department, or any department that they choose to work for.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Frego asked the Commission if it was time to start the process to create an Eligibility List for Sergeants. Commissioner Dodaro and the other Commissioners were in agreement that in order to prepare for the future, it was now time to start the process for creating an Eligibility List for Sergeants. Commissioner Hejl made a motion to begin the process to create an Eligibility List for Sergeants. With a second by Commissioner Vale, the motion carried unanimously (4-0). Chief Frego stated he would contact Stannard and Associates, which is the company endorsed by the Indiana Chiefs of Police Association, regarding an exam for the sergeant's test. Chief Frego stated that at this time, the maximum number of candidates is five (5). The Commission asked Chief Frego to obtain a sample test for their review.

CHIEF'S COMMENTS

Chief Frego advised the Police Department has been working for some time on the Tech Grant, which was received through Congressman Pete Visclosky's Office. St. John's portion of the grant is \$155,000.00. The laptops, personal computers, and docking stations have been delivered, and there is still money left over. Currently, quotes are being obtained for 25 walkies. The Department will be set equipment wise for several years. Some discussion ensued.

ANY AND ALL

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no "Public Comment" at tonight's meeting.

MEETING SCHEDULE

The next Regular Meeting will be on Monday, May 10, 2010. The Regular Public Meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M. There will be a Work Study Session only if deemed necessary. 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 at approximately 7:10 P.M.

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

Rose Hejl, Secretary

ATTEST:

Joan M. Gorcos, Recording Secretary