

## **ST. JOHN POLICE COMMISSION**

### **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING JUNE 14, 2010**

The June 2010 Regular Meeting of the Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners of the Town of St. John was held on June 14, 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, Robert Long and Ronald Vale. Also present was Chief of Police Fred Frego. No legal representation was present at the meeting.

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

**April 12, 2010 Regular Meeting** - Commissioner Hejl, made a motion to approve the minutes as written from the April 12, 2010 Regular Meeting. With a second by Commissioner Vale, the motion carried unanimously (5-0). The May 10, 2010 Regular Meeting was cancelled, and not rescheduled, due to the lack of a quorum.

### **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 May 2010. Chief Frego stated that from May 1, 2010 through May 31, 2010, the members of the St. John Police Department logged 18,163 miles and responded to 519 incidents. The investigation of these incidents led to 22 adult arrests with 30 charges being filed, and 4 juvenile arrests with 4 charges being filed. There were 268 traffic citations issued along with 48 written warnings for a total of 316 citations being issued during the month of May 2010 by the officers of the St. John Police Department. Also during the month of May, vehicle thefts totaled \$0.00, and all other thefts totaled \$12,047.00. 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 36 traffic citations and 1 written warning for a total of 37 citations being issued on the grants during the month of May 2010. The investigation of these violations resulted in 4 adult arrests with 4 charges being filed and 0 juvenile arrests with 0 charges being filed on the grants for the month of May 2010.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

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

**REPORTS**

**Budget** – Chief Frego advised they will begin meeting in July to discuss the 2011 Budget.

**HUMAN RESOURCES**

**Human Resources** – Commissioner Dodaro stated he has copies of a Sample Test for the Commission to review regarding the Sergeant's test to be used in the testing process of creating an Eligibility List for Sergeants. Commissioner Dodaro stated he did not have the test with him tonight, but he would bring it to the July Regular Meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Revised General Order 14.07 – Station Video Recording Equipment** – Chief Frego stated that effective January 1, 2011, all felony arrests are to be video recorded. At this time, Chief Frego is still working on this revision, and it is anticipated he will have the revised General Order available at the July Regular Meeting.

**CHIEF'S COMMENTS**

Chief Frego advised the St. John Police Department was not successful in receiving grant money to hire additional officers. In fact, the only successful department in Lake County was the Gary Police Department. However, there will be a "Round 2" for this grant, and modifications must be made to the original paperwork and be re-submitted. St. John will only be eligible to apply for one (1) additional officer this time. The deadline for submitting the revised paperwork is June 16, 2010.

Chief Frego advised he has applied for the NIRPC Grant, which will provide for two (2) alternate fuel vehicles to be purchased for the Department at a maximum cost of \$18,000 per vehicle. Any remaining costs must be paid for by the Department. This Grant is not expected to be awarded until June 2011.

**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, July 12, 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 Farris made a motion for adjournment. With a second by Commissioner Long, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:08 P.M.

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. Gorcos, Recording Secretary