

ST. JOHN POLICE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING JULY 9, 2012

The July 2012 Regular Meeting of the Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners of the Town of St. John was held on July 9, 2012 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 Robert Long. Also present were Chief of Police Fred Frego and Town Council Liaison Kenneth Gembala. Commissioner Ronald Vale was not present. No legal representation was present at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES

June 11, 2012 Regular Meeting - Commissioner Hejl made a motion to approve the minutes as written from the June 11, 2012 Regular Meeting. With a second by Commissioner Farris, the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

CORRESPONDENCE / COMMUNICATIONS

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT'S MONTHLY REPORT

Chief Frego read the monthly report for June 2012. Chief Frego stated that from June 1, 2012 through June 30, 2012, the members of the St. John Police Department logged 17,389 miles and responded to 558 incidents. The investigation of these incidents led to 19 adult arrests with 30 charges being filed, and 1 juvenile arrest with 2 charges being filed. There were 146 traffic citations issued along with 15 written warnings for a total of 161 citations being issued during the month of June 2012 by the officers of the St. John Police Department. Also during the month of June, vehicle thefts totaled \$0.00, and all other thefts totaled \$1,263.00. The total value of recovered property was \$0.00. The total number of traffic stops, through both duty and grant activity, for the month of June was 325. The total number of Traffic Stops year-to-date is 3,096.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no items of "Old Business."

HUMAN RESOURCES

Emergency Hire – Commissioner Hejl read a letter addressed to Chief Frego and received earlier today, July 9, 2012. Said letter was from Lucas Zuzich, Police Officer applicant, and advised of Mr. Zuzich's acceptance of the conditional offer of employment from Chief Frego. Mr. Zuzich's also advised that once his position with the St. John Police Department is official, he must provide the Merrillville Police Department with a four (4) week notice of his resignation. Mr. Zuzich thanked Chief Frego for this employment opportunity and stated he looked forward to becoming a member of the St. John Police Department. Some discussion ensued.

NEW BUSINESS

In response to Commissioner Farris' inquiry, Chief Frego advised the Fire Department's Annual Open House will be held the first weekend in October. Councilman Gembala stated that the Annual Open House will also coincide with the Town of St. John's 175th Anniversary Celebration. Chief Frego stated the Police Department will not be hosting their Annual Night Out Against Crime in August, but will include this event with the Fire Department's Annual Open House and the Town's 175th Anniversary Celebration.

CHIEF'S COMMENTS

Chief Frego reminded the Commission that they had an Executive Session scheduled with the Town Council for tomorrow night, July 10, 2012 at 7:00 P.M.

ANY AND ALL

There were no matters of "Any and All."

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no matters of "Public Comment."

MEETING SCHEDULE

The next Regular Meeting should be held on Monday, August 13, 2012; however, due to the unavailability of the Commissioners, they chose to tentatively re-schedule their next Regular Meeting for Tuesday, August 7, 2012, pending availability of the Town Hall Meeting Room. 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 7:13 P.M. (4-0).

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

Rose Hejl, Secretary

ATTEST:

Joan M. Gorcos, Recording Secretary