

ST. JOHN POLICE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 11, 2014

The August 2014 Regular Meeting of the Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners of the Town of St. John was held on August 11, 2014 at 6:30 P.M., as advertised, pursuant to law. Commissioner Vale called the meeting to order promptly at 6:30 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, Ronald Vale, Frank Chapranda, and Paul Haluska. Also present were Chief of Police Fred Frego and Town Councilman Kenneth Gembala. Commissioners Rose Hejl and Robert Long were not present at tonight's meeting. No legal representation was in attendance at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES

July 14, 2014 Regular Meeting - Commissioner Chapranda moved to approve the minutes as written from the July 14, 2014 Regular Meeting. With a second by Commissioner Haluska, the motion carried unanimously (3-0).

CORRESPONDENCE / COMMUNICATIONS

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT'S MONTHLY REPORT

Chief Frego read the monthly report for July 2014. Chief Frego stated that from July 1, 2014 through July 31, 2014, the members of the St. John Police Department logged 18,588 miles and responded to 549 law incidents. The investigation of these incidents led to 16 adult arrests with 26 charges being filed, and 0 juvenile arrests with 0 charges being filed. There were 220 traffic citations issued along with 24 written warnings for a total of 244 citations being issued during the month of July 2014 by the officers of the St. John Police Department. Also during the month of July, vehicle thefts totaled \$0.00, and all other thefts totaled \$19,907.00. The total value of recovered property was \$0.00.

OLD BUSINESS

Police Department's Accreditation Process – Commissioner Haluska moved to accept the Policies and Procedures with the changes that were made. With a second by Commissioner Chapranda, the motion carried unanimously (3-0).

HUMAN RESOURCES

Sergeant's Test – Test Date Change – Chief Frego advised there are three (3) corporals taking the Sergeant's test. Last week on Thursday or Friday, an e-mail was sent to all three (3) corporals asking which date they preferred to take the test; either Saturday, September 20, 2014, or Saturday, October 4, 2014. The officers were to respond back by no later than 4:00

P.M. today. Chief Frego advised only one (1) officer responded, and he indicated that he had no preference. No response was received from the other two (2) officers. Chief Frego stated the Commission could decide on either date that best suited their schedules. After some discussion, the Commission chose to have the Sergeant's Test on Saturday, September 20, 2014, at 1:00 P.M. in the Training Room at the Police Department. Chief Frego advised the text books the officers were using to study for the test needed to be returned by September 27, 2014. The officers were advised to return the books by no later than September 23, 2014.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no matters of "New Business."

CHIEF'S COMMENTS

Chief Frego thanked the Commission for the productive meeting (work study session) that was held on Saturday, August 9, 2014, wherein they were able to get issues with the new policies and procedures resolved. Chief Frego stated he was looking forward to moving ahead with the Accreditation and getting the officers trained on the new Policies and Procedures.

ANY AND ALL

There were no matters brought up under "Any and All."

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no matters of "Public Comment."

MEETING SCHEDULE

The next Regular Meeting should be held on Monday, September 8, 2014. The Regular Public Meeting will begin at 6:30 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 Haluska moved for adjournment. With a second by Commissioner Chapranda, the motion carried (3-0). The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 P.M.

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

Paul Haluska, Secretary

ATTEST:

Joan M. Gorcos, Recording Secretary