

FORTVILLE METROPOLITAN BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

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On July 18, 2016, the meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Present: Board Members, Bob Sterret, Patrick Calhoun, Tim Hexamer, Frank Caudill, Dave Beatson and Attorney Alex Intermill. Also present, Police Chief Bill Knauer and Major Shelly and Town Manager Joe Renner.

Minutes of the prior meeting: Approved by unanimous vote with no discussion or changes

June 20, 2016 Town Council Meeting incident involving Chief Knauer and Councilman Linzy Hendrix: Board President Patrick Calhoun stated that he had invited Town Councilman Linzy Hendrix to attend the meeting to discuss the incident that occurred during the Town Council meeting of June 20, 2016. Calhoun pointed out that the Councilman was not present. Calhoun stated that he had received memorandums concerning the incident from Chief Knauer, Town Manager Renner, and RDC President Burns Gutzwiller. Calhoun asked if Chief Knauer or Town Manager Renner had anything to add to their statements. Both responded negatively and Calhoun moved to the next item on the agenda.

Old Business: Computer Voice Stress Analysis (CVSA) training completed by Major Shelly and officers Fox and Durbin. CVSA has already been used in an ongoing criminal case. CVSA can be used during the hiring process by the Town and will be used in future hiring for new full time and auxillary Police Officers. The New Palastine Police Department has requested the assistance of our officers to use CVSA in the hiring process of their new officers. Any application of CVSA will occur in Fortville. Chief Knauer does not anticipate that providing these services will significantly affect his manpower.

Coffee with a Cop in April at the Lincoln Square resteraunt was highly successful. Members of the Board were complimentary of the participation by the police officers and the community. The next Coffee with a Cop will be on October 17, 2016 at the Sunrise Donut Shop.

Police Department Space Remodeling completed with the assistance of all the officers and the reserves. A Drying Room is not currently part of the evidence room. One is required per Federal Government standards. They are used to dry articels of clothing obtained as evidence. The Department has only one ongoing case with such evidence. The Department uses the County Sheriff's Department as a contingency.

New Business: Two new vehicles are in. It will cost approximately \$4,996.00 to set up the new cars with equipment using both new and recycled equipment from the old cars. There is money in the Department budget for equipping these new cars. Mike Ferris (Ferris signs) will do the signage on the new cars. The old cars will be traded in after rotating with pool cars held for the reserves. Three reserves have purchased their

own police cars and leased them to the Town for \$1.00 per year. This process is a big savings to the Town because it saves milage on the Department fleet.

Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOK) training will take place on August 9, 2016 in Plainfield. The training is state mandated for all Officers once a year.

All State Mandated Training is all scheduled for the rest of the year including rifle training.

Firearms qualifications are scheduled for September 17, 2016 from 8 – 4 p.m. The Commissioners were invited to attend and participate.

Officers Corey Muncel and Derick Archer have completed instructor development training. They are now certified generalist instructors.

Department Vehicle registrations cost \$146.00. When new vehicles were registered the Department was informed that the previous Town Clerk had not properly registerd the Departments vehicles with the state and the Town had to pay \$146.00 in penalties before registering the new cars.

Officer Rich Lind is currently at the Police Academy.

The Cystic Fibrosis bike ride in Fortville will be held on August 20, 2016. Officers will assist in staffing that event for traffic and safety within the Town of Fortville.

Budget – The Police Department is under budget for 2016 and Beth is putting together the numbers for 2017.

Officer Corey Muncel tried out for the County wide Swat Team and was invited to join and is now a new member.

Major Shelly has been invited to attend the FBI National Academey in Quantico Virginia. These are highly prestigious positions which are limited in number and selected based on the skills and character of the officers. Chief Knauer had to submit and sponsor Officer Shelly. Major Shelly must pass a background check and must receive top secret clearance before attending. Officer Shelly will be attending from January through March of 2017. Chief Knaur will seek approval from the Town Council to attend Major Shelly's grauation. The Board gave approval to the Chief to seek permission from the Town Council to send Major Shelly to the FBI academy.

Commission Member Comments: Commission members congratulated Major Shelly for being selected. Calhoun stated that he would write a report concerning the incident of June 20, 2016. Calhuoun stated that he had not read the memorandums received. Calhoun stated he would provide them to the Board members for their review. Calhoun atated that after writing the report he would provide it to the Board members for their review and editing. Afterwords he would submit it to the Town Council for whatever action they deemed appropriate. Attorney Alex lintermill added that there was new state legislation that addressed the incident of June 20, 2016. Attorney lintermill added that without getting into specifics the Chief handled the incident effectively even though the new statute was not in effect when the request was made by Councilman Hendrix. The next Board meeting was set for October 17, 2016

Motion to Adjourn: Dave Beatson, Second Bob Sterret. Motion to adjourn approved.

Patrick Calhoun, President Patrick Calhoun

William Knaur, Chief of Police William Knaur