

# POLICE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Police Board of Commissions held a quarterly meeting on May 7, 2018 at the Fortville Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm p.m. by President Pat Calhoun.

**Present:** Board Member: Tim Hexamer, Board Member: Katie Weaver, President: Pat Calhoun, Board Member: Frank Caudel, Chief Bill Knauer and Attorney Alex Intermill.

Approval of last meeting minutes: Approval of March 26, 2018 meeting minutes was delayed since only two members of the current Board were present at the last meeting. The March 26, 2018 minutes will be brought forward for review at the next scheduled meeting.

**Old Business:** A Police Department/Officer appreciation BBQ sponsored by the Board of Police Commissioners was discussed and tabled for further action/discussion during the next Board meeting.

New Business:

Chief Knauer provided a report on the following items:

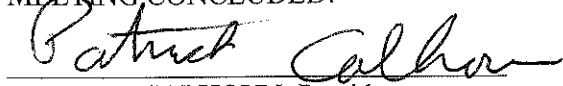
- Coffee with a Cop was held at Sunrise Bakery on Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup>, it was well attended by the public and by members of the Town Council and Board of Police Commissioners. Many of the public attendees were from local communities as well as from Fortville.
- Officer Charlie Kingery was sworn in on Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Officer Mark Lyons will be attending School Resource Officers (SRO) training the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of July. Officer Lyons is the only certified SRO in the Fortville Police Dept.
- New officer, Anthony Chavez will be coming on board in July.
- Mt. Vernon School District Superintendent, Dr. Robins is implementing new emergency response technique training known as "I Love You Guys". The training is for first responders and focuses on reuniting students with parents after any type of emergency in the schools. The instructor is John Michael Keyes, one of the originating developers of the technique. Keyes will provide "train the trainer" training at a cost of \$6500 paid for by the School District and other agencies attending. Fortville PD is hosting the training. Forty or more people from local police department, fire departments, and school districts are expected to attend. The School District will be in charge of publicity.
- The Chief provide a statistical report for the period 04/01-04/30, the highlight being 652 calls for service during this period for an average of 21 per day.
- The Chief has acquired 12 in car radios for installation in the Departments car fleet at a cost of \$5300 including installation. The \$5300 cost will be paid for with funds provided from the Hancock County Prosecutors Office. These radios augment the portable radios currently carried by all officers. They will improve coverage in our geographical area and safety.
- The Chief is working to initiate a K-9 program for the Department. The start-up cost for the program is approximately \$30,000. The Chief is soliciting grants to pay for the program, with \$4500 committed so far. The School District has committed to contribute \$1000 per year towards food and medicine for the dog if the program is implemented. Officer Derick Archer has expressed a desire to become the K-9 officer.
- National Night Out in Fortville is scheduled for August 8, 2018, there are numerous activities scheduled including food and entertainment, all of which will be donated or covered with existing activity funds.

There was no other new business discussed.

The next Board of Police Commissioners meeting was set for August 6, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

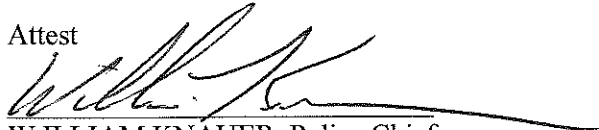
Motion to adjourn by Tim Hexamer second Frank Caudell @6:27 pm Approved 4-0

MEETING CONCLUDED.



PATRICK CALHOUN, President

Attest



WILLIAM KNAUER, Police Chief