PORTER METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSION

NOVEMBER 21, 2023

TOWN HALL

The Porter Police Commission was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

In attendance were Ross LeBleu, Mark Lynk, Chief Todd Allen, and Laura Madigan, Council Liaison. Absent Jeff Huckaby

Approval of Minutes-Mr. Lynk made a motion to approve the minutes of August 14, 2023 as written, Mr. LeBleu seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Monthly Reports-Chief Allen mentions he handed out reports for August, September and October. Looking at the statistics they are pretty much consistent and then in October they went down a bit, we are pretty much on track for the winter months.

Chief Allen comments Austin Haynes had an altercation with a suspect a few weeks ago and was on light duty. He is looking the return to full duty on the 30th of this month.

Chief Allen states Callie, one of new dispatchers, will be off of training at end of this month. We will be back up to four dispatchers beginning of December.

Chief Allen states Amanda is still on part time helping train the new dispatchers on everything she did.

LeBleu wanted to commend the officers for a great job with for Perfect Pint security.

Old Business-NONE

New Business-Chief Allen states he has three general orders he needs approval for.

General Order 61-Unmanned Aircraft System-commonly known as a drone, is expected to enhance police operations. The purpose is to provide aerial support and assistance to the Porter Police Department in a multitude of situations including but not limited surveying natural disasters, hazardous material scenes, locating lost or missing persons, crime scene investigations, accident investigations, and training. We have an officer that is trained for this.

Mr. Lynk made a motion to approve General Order 61, Mr. Lebleu seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

General Order 62-Phlebotomy for Police Officers Program-this policy establishes protocol and guidelines for the performance of those officers trained in phlebotomy to ensure a uniform approach is used for all Police Officer Phlebotomist blood draws. Chief Allen mentions that Officer Haynes is a Law Enforcement Phlebotomist.

Mr. Lynk made a motion to approve General Order 62, Mr. LeBleu seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

General Order 63- Emergency Medical Responder for Police Officer Program-Emergency medical responders provide immediate lifesaving care to critical patients who access the emergency services system. EMR’s have the knowledge and skills necessary to provide immediate lifesaving interventions while awaiting additional EMS resources to arrive and also aid higher-level personnel at the scene of emergencies and during transport. EMRs are a vital part of the comprehensive EMS response. Under medical oversight, EMRs perform basic interventions with minimal equipment. Chief Allen states we have two on the department.

Mr. LeBleu made a motion to approve General Order 63, Mr. Lynk seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Public Comments-NONE

Comments-Liaison-NONE

Commission Comments-NONE

Minutes approved this 19th day of March, 2024.

Mark Lynk

Jerry Gruett

 Attest: Tammie Sufana