

PORTER POLICE COMMISSION
MINUTES

January 15, 2008

The Porter Police Commission was called to order at 6pm. In attendance were William Donley, President; Linda Hodges, Vice-President; Karen Pisowicz, Commissioner; Chief Jamie Spanier and Town Council Liaison Jon Granat.

First order of business was to elect new officers. Linda Hodges nominated Karen Pisowicz for president. Bill Donley seconded. Motion carried 2-1. Hodges nominated Donley for vice-president. Pisowicz seconded. Motion carried.

Donley made a motion to accept the December 18, 2007 minutes with the correction of Jen Granat's name. Hodges seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Chief Spanier presented his monthly reports. Hodges noted personal mileage was up. She also asked if these statistics could be put on a spread sheet to compare each year. This would be helpful when asking for additional police personnel. Donley asked if the Federal government were the ones that handle drug cases. Drug cases are through the County and the County will probably double their unit since 80%-90% of crimes are directly attributed the drugs.

Pisowicz asked about Pathways Drug Rehab Group and Spanier explained it is a nationwide non-profit group that has a place in the area but are looking for more space. The program is a 1-1/2 program during the day with a pretty high success rate. Pathways gets grant money from various places. Pathways has given the department brochures to hand out to parents having problems with a child and how to seek help.

There was no Old Business.

Under New Business, Spanier reported that several people (Officers Todd Allen, Tawny Komisarick, Commissioner Pisowicz and Chief Spanier) met with several candidates for part-time dispatchers. The presented list of persons are already trained. The department is losing a dispatcher and Hodges asked if the letter from dispatcher Larry Lutrick Jr. be read into the record. Hodges read the letter (letter attached). It was agreed Spanier would send a letter to Lutrick and put it in his file for any future use. Commission agreed by concensus to accept the new hires list.

Commission also agreed by concensus to accept Lisa Miller as a full time dispatcher.

There were no public comments. Liaison Granat had no comments other than to say he understandsthe department is functioning fine.

Donley welcomed Pisowicz as president.

Meeting adjourned 6:18 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted

Rita Newman
Rita Newman, secretary

Minutes approved this 19 day of Feb., 2008

Karen Pisowicz
Karen Pisowicz, President

William Donley, Vice-President

Linda Hodges
Linda Hodges, Commissioner

Attest Rita Newman
Rita Newman