

PORTER POLICE COMMISSION  
MINUTES

August 21, 2007

The Porter Police Commission meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. In attendance were William Donley, President; Linda Hodges, Vice-President; Karen Pisowicz, Commissioner and Chief James Spanier.

Pisowicz made a motion to accept the July 17, 2007 minutes and the July 31, 2007 Executive Session minutes. Hodges seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Chief Spanier presented the monthly reports. There were no comments or questions from the commission.

Under Old Business, the commission voted 3-0 to approve the modifications to the Reserve Policy.

Also under Old Business, the Commissioners agreed to send a thank you to former Commissioner Brian Dahlin for all his hard work on getting a solution to the problem at US highway 20 and Waverly road. INDOT will be spacing the lights east and west as separate greens.

Under New Business, Spanier noted two promotions: Cpl. John McMahon to sargeant and Detective Mike Veal to corporal. Hodges made a motion to accept these promotions. Pisowicz seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Spanier also advised the Commissioners of plans to have a representative participate in the Northwest Indiana Major Crimes Task Force and the Porter County Substance Abuse Council. The commission agreed this was a good plan.

Spanier reported the Indiana State Police had a drug interdiction class attended by Porter County police departments. After the class the officers conducted a "wolf-pack" patrol on Interstate 94 which resulted in 113 traffic arrests including 10 drug-related arrests, three of them felonies. 40-50 officers participated. There is talk of doing this more often.

Pisowicz asked if any Porter officers attended the funeral service for the Gary policeman. Spanier heard a couple people talking about it but was unsure if anyone attended. Hodges asked about East Oak Hill Road no parking and was told the signs need to be put up.

Meeting adjourned 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Rita Newman, Secretary

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Minutes approved this 18 day of Sept, 2007

William Donley, President

Linda Hodges  
Linda Hodges, Vice-President

Karen Pisowicz  
Karen Pisowicz, Commissioner

Attest: Rita Newman  
Rita Newman