

PORTER POLICE COMMISSION
MINUTES

March 21, 2006

The Porter Police Commission meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. In attendance were Linda Hodges, President; William Donley, Vice-President; and Commissioners Brian Dahling and Karen Pisowicz. Also in attendance were Police Chief James Spanier and Town Council Liaison Jennifer Granat. Commissioner Arthur Heredia was absent.

Regarding the February 21, 2006 minutes Linda Hodges asked for clarification in the 7th paragraph regarding personnel training that it readto send personnel for training and have their salaries paid for with grant money. William Donley made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Brian Dahlin seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Chief Spanier gave his monthly report and mileage report. Also given were part-time and reserve officer weapons. Chief Spanier also noted that 8 or 9 officers attended NIPSCO safety training in LaPorte.

Under Old Business: The commissioners agreed that this ordinance should be forwarded to the Town Council with the condition that the lawyer approves. Dahlin made a motion to forward this ordinance with the stipulation the attorney approved. Donley seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

The Dispatcher Rules will be placed on next month's agenda. It should be noted that the Police Commission wants the dispatchers to remain in the department. Spanier noted that while County does a fine job they can't be expected to know the entire town.

Regarding the traffic at US20 and Waverly Road, Dahlin had a letter from commissioner of INDOT. After discussion, it was the consensus that Dahlin go to Indianapolis to address this situation in person.

There was nothing to report on the Tri-Town Disaster Plan.

Under New Business a budget workshop will be scheduled.

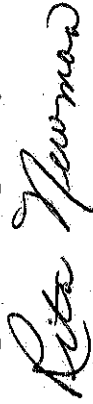
Also under New Business, the dispatcher rules and Taser policy changes are in bold. This will be put on the agenda for April meeting. A reader will be purchased to check on Taser use.

Under Public Comments, Jennifer Klug thanked ~~the~~ ^{THE} commission ~~for~~ speaking out about not getting rid of the dispatchers. Dahlin will write a letter in support of the dispatchers.

Karen Pizowicz noted under the ordinance regarding posting signs on STOP signs and NIPSCO poles there is no fine. It is illegal to post signs on these fixtures. Spanier will ask the attorney to add penalties for signs. Pauline Poparod mentioned the Zoning Ordinance should cover this. Granat will contact the attorney and Jim Manden.

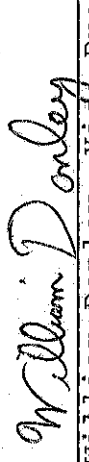
Meeting adjourned 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted


Rita Newman

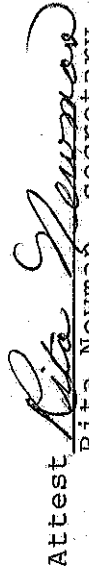
Minutes approved this 18th day of April, 2006


Linda Hodges, President


William Donley, Vice-President


Brian Dahlin, Commissioner


Karen Pizowicz, Commissioner

Attest 
Rita Newman, Secretary