

PORTER POLICE COMMISSION MINUTES

January 14, 2004

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. Present were Chad Brooks, Vice-President; William Donley, Commissioner, Linda Hodges and Chief John Lane.

William D~~X~~onley made a motion to accept the December 10, 2003 minutes. Chad Brooks seconded. Motion carried 2-0. Election of officers was held with William Donley nominating Chad Brooks as president and Linda Hodges nominating William Donley as vice-president. Both motions carried.

Chief Lane submitted the December monthly report and the 2003 yearly report. Beginning January 1, 2004 the incident number will be the case number if the incident becomes a case.

Porter received 200 gun locks under the program Project Child Safe. These gun locks will be provided free-of-charge to any adult Porter resident upon proof of residency. Residents are welcome to as many as they need and are available at the police station.

Porter Police Department received two monetary donations. Westchester FOP through their fund raising efforts for Shop with a Cop had monies left over. These funds were distributed to the various police departments with Porter receiving \$1500. Several officers have expressed buying digital recorders which should cost \$80-\$100 each. Nicola Manuzzi donated \$500 which for the time being will be held in the account.

Chief Lane noted the Fire Department Appreciation Award that was received at last night's Porter Town Council meeting.

Eric Moore received the OWI officer award for stopping 12 motorists. Since January 1st, he had found 3 more.

At the recent auction, Chief Lane reported profit of \$2200. Bicycles (some stored since 1997), desks, some street department equipment (dump truck, front loader) were among the items auctioned.

A part-time radio dispatcher application from Maryann Carptenter was received. Linda Hodges made a motion to hire Maryann with a second by William Donley. Motion carried 3-0.

The prospect of getting 2 new squad cars was presented to the Commission. Chief Lane has been exploring getting Chevrolet Impala as opposed the Ford Crown Victoria. Impala gas mileage in town is 20mpg, Crown Victoria is 15mpg. Typically the department turns in cars every four years with 80,000 to 95,000 miles. In the past, cars have been purchased through short-term loans from Porter Bank.

In action at last night's Town Council meeting, Jay Craig was appointed animal control warden. The facility will be built at the street department and should be up and running in 5-10 days.

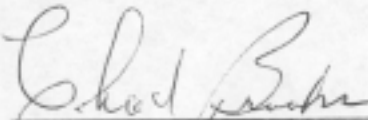
Chief Lane requested the commissioners review the Explorer Post proposal and return in with any corrections, additions or deletions they might have.

Under new business, Linda Hodges made a motion to change the agenda to include audience participation. William Donley seconded. Motion carried 2-1.

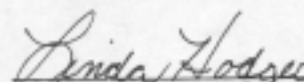
Chad Brooks commended Carol Pomeroy on her work as police commission president and William Donley wished her success in her new job for the town.

Meeting adjourned 6:25p.m.

Minutes approved this 11 day of February 2004

  
Chad Brooks, President

  
William Donley, Vice President

  
Linda Hodges, Commissioner