

**CEDAR LAKE METROPOLITAN POLICE
COMMISSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY MARCH 26, 2014**

7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner, Terri Blagojevic	Present
Commissioner, Michael DeFrancesco	Present
Commissioner, Lester C. Kaper	Present
Commissioner, Dominick Kortokrax	Present
Commissioner, Michael Taborski	Present
Council-Liaison, Patsy Casassa	Present
Council-Liaison, Randell Niemeyer	Absent
Chief of Police, Gerald Smith	Present

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion made by Commissioner DeFrancesco and seconded by Commissioner Blagojevic to approve the minutes of Wednesday February 26, 2014 as written.

Vote-5

Blagojevic	Yes
Kaper	Yes
DeFrancesco	Yes
Taborski	Yes
Kortokrax	Yes

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

(1) None

OLD BUSINESS:

Police Department:

- (1). **Consolidated Dispatching-** Chief Smith stated that the Town Council has signed the Inter-Local agreement. Town Attorney David Austgen was present and advised the Commission what is and what will be taking place in the next months ahead. Amount that the Town would be paying for consolidation is \$131,000.00.

NEW BUSINESS:

Police Department:

- (1). **Monthly Activity Report-** Chief Smith gave the month of February and March 2014 activity report
 - (2). **Training-** Chief Smith gave the monthly totals from February 2014.
 - (3). **Technology-** Chief Smith advised the Commission about XP Micro Soft that the Department uses is no longer support base and this also includes the in-car computers, radio equipment will also need to be purchased to accommodate Lake County's system. Attorney David Austgen advised that any problems that arise between the dispatch area (audio) of the Department and to Lake County would be at the Town's expense. Chief Smith stated that Opti-Com that signals the traffic lights for emergencies will be a cost of \$1,145.00 for 10 vehicles.
- Chairperson Taborski stated that he has received suggestions that once Dispatch is no longer in use due to the consolidation that a phone be put at the Fire House so those on the west side could use and not have to come to the Department to use the phone that will be in the hall to talk to a Police Officer for a report. It was considered to be a good idea and it will be looked into.

- (4) **Policy Updates-Resolution 125 Holiday and Leaves Chapter 4, Page 4.4.6 section C (Bereavement).**

Motion made by Commissioner Kaper and seconded by Commissioner Balgojevic to accept Resolution 125 as written.

Vote-5

Yes	Kaper
Yes	Balgojevic
Yes	Kortokrax
Yes	DeFrancesco
Yes	Taborski

- (5). **Reserve Program-** Chief Smith stated he would have updates at the next meeting.
- (6). **Vehicle Purchase-** Chief Smith gave all Commissioner quotes on Fords including SUV's. A discussion was held on the amount of gas and mileage you would get from a truck compared to a SUV. Chief Smith stated that he would like 2 trucks and 2 sedans to be purchased this year. It was decided by a motion made by Commissioner DeFrancesco and seconded by Commissioner Kortokrax for Chief Smith to look into financing 2 trucks and 2 sedans.

DeFrancesco	Yes
Kortokrax	Yes
Blagojevic	Yes
Kaper	Yes
Taborski	Yes

Chief Smith will talk to the Clerk Treasurer on this matter

VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICES:

New Business

(1). Activity Report-Chief Smith gave the activity for the month of February

2014.

Members are in training using the ham radio system and one member is now a certified CPR instructor

Chief Smith asked Town Council Liaison Patsy Casassa if she would ask the Council if VIP'S could use the Parks building, they are growing in size and need more room. Councilwoman Casassa stated she would and Chief Smith will have a letter prepared requesting the use of the building.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PRESS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairperson Taborski adjourned the meeting

End 8:28 P.M

EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD AFTER THE MEETING, REFERENCE PERSONNEL, PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 5-14-1.5.6 1(b).

Member-Dominick Kortokrax	Absent
Member-Lester C. Kaper	Present
Member-Terri Blagojevic	Present
Vice-Chairperson-Michael DeFrancisco	Present
Chairperson-Michael Taborski	Present