

**CEDAR LAKE METROPOLITAN POLICE
COMMISSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY MAY 27, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER:

7:00P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner, Terri Blagojevic	Present	Council Liaison, Patsy Casassa	Present
Commissioner, Kevin Toth	Present	Council Liaison, Julie Rivera	Absent
Commissioner, Lester C. Kaper	Present	Council Liaison, Randell Niemeyer	Absent

Chief of Police, Gerald Smith Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion made by Commissioner Toth and seconded by Commissioner Kaper to accept the minutes from Wednesday April 22, 2015.

NOTE: Chairperson Kaper gave the gavel to Co-Chairperson Blagojevic to accept the April 22, 2015 minutes as written from Commissioners Toth & Kaper.

Vote- 2

Toth

Yes

Kaper

Yes

OLD BUSINESS:

Police Department:

- (1). **Consolidated Dispatching**-Chief Smith stated the next meeting is Thursday May 28th with Lake County and on Friday May 29 with Schererville reference personnel. As of now the Town Council is standing their ground of not consolidating. Deb Day has been rehired as a fulltime Dispatcher and is also aware that her position could be dissolved if for some reason Cedar Lake would sign the 911 agreement with County. If Cedar Lake goes with Schererville Deb, Steve and Shannon would be dispatching out of Schererville.

NEW BUSINESS:

Police Department:

- (1). **Monthly Activity Report**- Chief Smith reviewed the Department activity for April 2015.
- (2). **Training**-Chief Smith reviewed the training for the month of April 2015.
- (3). **Technology**-8 new computers have been purchased from the Public Safety Tax. This was done to comply with the new SPILLMAN upgrade that is needed.
- (4). **Squad Cars**-Chief Smith stated that the vehicles have been ordered and could be sometime in August when received.
- (5). **Reserve Program**-Chief Smith advised that out of 14 that took the agility and written test only 7 passed. June 6th, starting at 8:00 A.M. will be interviews for the 7 with the personnel board.
- (6). **Drug Testing Policy**-Chief Smith will have the town's DRUG POLICY for the next meeting for the Commission to review. There is an expense involved to have the drug testing done at \$90.00 a person, it would be random drug testing on employees. The Commission advised Chief Smith to bring to the next meeting the changes that need to be made. The Commission will review and make their decision.
- (7). **Other**-Chief Smith asked the Commission for their opinion on allowing Officers to work part time for other Departments, such as Winfield, who only has at this time a small group of Officers on their department. The Commission requested Chief Smith to contact the Town Attorney on this matter to see what his opinion would be, relating to equipment, if an Officer would get hurt who pays, liability. This will be brought back at the June meeting for the Commission to review.

Volunteer In Police Services (VIP'S)

(1). **Activity Report**-No report available

PUBLIC COMMENT:

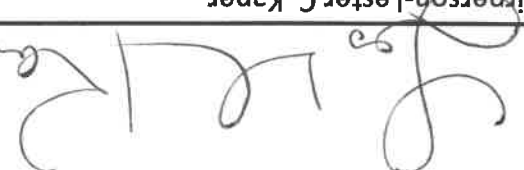
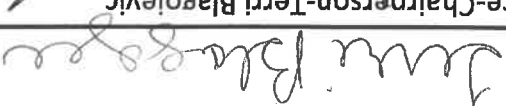
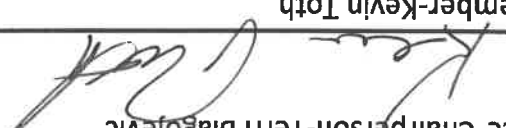
Chief Smith advised the Commission to mark their calendars for Saturday May 30th this is the day selected for the Department inspection. The squads will be over in the Lighthouse lot. There will be a continental breakfast. Chair-Person Kaper asked that an invitation be sent to the Town Council also.

Chief Smith stated that the FOP will be hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday May 31st at the K-C Hall

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Commissioner Toth and seconded by Commissioner Blagojevic to adjourn.

End 7:48 P.M.

	Chairperson-Lester C. Kaper	Present
	Vice-Chairperson-Terri Blagojevic	Present
	Member-Kevin Toth	Present