

**CEDAR LAKE METROPOLITAN POLICE
COMMISSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY JUNE 24, 2015**

7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner, Terri Blagojevic	Present
Commissioner, Kevin Toth	Present
Commissioner, Lester C. Kaper	Present
Council-Liaison, Patsy Casassa	Absent
Council-Liaison, Randell Niemeyer	Absent
Council-Liaison, Julie Rivera	Absent
Chief of Police, Gerald Smith	Present

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

Thank You note from Donna Lukasik to the Department thanking the Officer that worked a midnight shift and helped her with vehicle problems.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion made by Commissioner Toth and seconded by Commissioner Blagojevic to accept the minutes of Wednesday May 27, 2015.

Vote- 3

Toth	Yes
Blagojevic	Yes
Kaper	Yes

Motion made by Commissioner Toth and seconded by Commissioner Blagojevic to accept the minutes of Monday June 15, 2015. (Special Public Meeting).

Vote- 3

Toth	Yes
Blagojevic	Yes
Kaper	Yes

OLD BUSINESS:

Police Department:

- (1). Consolidated Dispatch-Chief Smith stated that a I-T representative will be coming out to install the lines that will be needed to operate from Schererville Police Department

NEW BUSINESS:

Police Department:

- (1) Monthly Activity Report-Chief Smith gave the report for the month of May 2015. Commissioner Kaper would like a yearly total to see how many calls were handled.
- (2) Training Report-Chief Smith gave the report for the month of May 2015. Commissioner Kaper would like an Officer who participated in training to come to the Commission meeting and tell about their experience. Chief Smith gave a report on the School Resource Officer class that he attended. Officer's Smoot, Sulski and Machalk attended bike classes and are now patrolling the neighborhoods. Officer Machalk will be in charge of this unit.
- (3) Technology-Chief Smith stated that the 700 mega-hertz radios for the squads will be installed but not programmed till all other departments are done.
- (4) Squad Cars/E85 Vehicle-Chief Smith stated that the 4 squads cars in Tinley Park and will be completed shortly, next process is the stripping of the vehicles. The Ford Taurus will not be ready for a few more weeks, but Chief stated that he is hoping to have 2 of the new vehicles ready for Summerfest. The E85 vehicle has been ordered and will take about 8 weeks. Commissioner Kaper requested that the Officers numbers be added to the vehicles, to be seen by the public.
- (5) Reserve Program-Chief Smith reminded the Commission of the Executive session on Monday June 29, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. they will be interviewing 3 candidates for Reserve Officer. Chief Smith advised that he would like the Commission to review the SOP on Reserve Officers.
- (6) Hiring of New Academy Certified Officer-Chief Smith stated that applications are being picked up at the station and also applicants can fill out the application on-line. All applications must be received by July 6, 2015 no later than 4:00

P.M. It was decided that one Commissioner will also attend the interview process with the Personal Board.

- (7) **Policy Updates (Drug Test & Vehicles)**—Chief Smith asked the Commission to review the drug policy and see what changes they would add and also to look over the off duty use of vehicles. It was suggested that a work session will be held at the monthly meeting of July 22, 2015, to review policy's.
- (8) **Replacement Pontoon Boat**—Chief Smith stated that he and Bob Gross were in the process of possibly purchasing a 2003 fishing boat in excellent condition, but someone else purchased the boat. Chief advised that the department has submitted a grant to purchase a boat.
- (9) **Other-Events** coming up, Summerfest July 2nd thru July 5th, and the Chamber Symphony Saturday July 18th.
- (10) **Other**—Motion made by Commissioner Blagojevic and seconded by Commissioner Toth to purchase a new recorder for the Commission meetings.

Vote- 3

Toth	Yes
Blagojevic	Yes
Kaper	Yes

VOLUNTEER IN POLICE SERVICES (VIP'S)

- (1). Monthly Activity Report—Lt. Tim Layer gave a report for the months of April and May 2015. The Organization lost 2 members and gained two. VIP'S is getting ready for the Summerfest and also the Symphony.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

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

NOTE: An Executive Session was held before the monthly meeting and after the meeting to discuss Personnel pursuant to Indiana Code 5-14-1.5.6(b).

An Executive Session was held on Monday June 29, 2015 in the Town Hall meeting room at 6:00 P.M. to discuss Personnel pursuant to Indiana Code 5-14-1.5.6(b).

End 7:45 P.M.


Chairperson, Lester C. Kaper
Present


Vice-Chairperson, Terri Blagojevic
Present


Member, Kevin Toth
Present