

**CEDAR LAKE METROPOLITAN POLICE  
COMMISSION MEETING  
WEDNESDAY JULY 22, 2015**

**7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**ROLL CALL:**

Commissioner, Terri Blagojevic	Absent
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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Motion** made by Commissioner Toth and seconded by Commissioner Kaper to accept the minutes of Wednesday June 24, 2015.

**Vote- 2**

Toth	Yes
Kaper	Yes

Commission minutes of Monday July 6, 2015 (Special Public Meeting).

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**Vote- 2**

Toth	Yes
Kaper	Yes

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Police Department:**

- (1). **Consolidated Dispatch**-Chief Smith stated that he would be meeting with Chief Dowling from Schererville next week to discuss the two departments merging dispatching.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Police Department:**

- (1) **Monthly Activity Report**-Chief Smith stated many hours were dedicated to Summerfest and the Symphony; parking was the main problem the night of the big fireworks.
- (2) **Training Report**-Chief Smith advised no report was available for June 2015.
- (3) **Technology**-Chief Smith stated that the department will be joining the Northwest Crime Reporting that shows where crime was reported in our area.
- (4) **Squad Cars**-Thermal imaging spot light was added to Officer Sulski's vehicle that shows heat where someone is hiding in the bushes. The new squad cars will be on display on August 4<sup>th</sup> National Night Out on the town complex grounds. The last vehicle is still on order and should be here the end of August or first part of September.
- (5) **Reserve Program**-Chief Smith stated that 2 of the 3 new Reserve Officers have completed their physiological testing, the 3<sup>rd</sup> has an appointment tomorrow, and then training will start.
- (6) **Hiring of New Academy Certified Officer**- Chief Smith stated that 15 candidates will be interviewed on Sunday August 2, 2015 starting at 8:00 A.M. It was decided by the Commission for the interview Board to select 5 (five) candidates from the 15 to be interviewed by the Commission on August 15, 2015.
- (7) **Policy Updates (Drug Test & Vehicles)** -The Commission decided on a Work Session on August 26, 2015 starting at 6:00 P.M. to discuss the two topics before a vote to accept the changes and added to the SOP'S. Executive session at 6:30 P.M. regular monthly meeting at 7:00 P.M.
- (8) **Replacement Pontoon Boat**-Chief Smith stated that a grant has been applied for to purchase a new pontoon boat the one that the department is a 1999.
- (9) **Other-National Night Out** Tuesday August 4, 2015 at the Town Complex.

**VOLUNTEER IN POLICE SERVICES (VIP'S)**

**No Report**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Officer Jayson Villars stated that 5 Officers in June attended rifle training

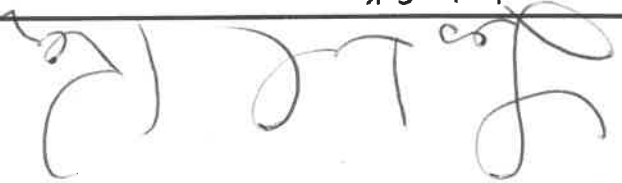
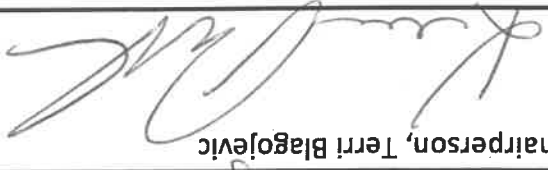
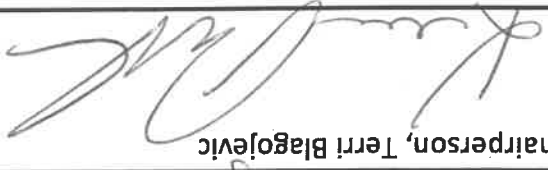
Officer Phil Lewis stated out of the 4 left from the emergency hiring of a new Police Officer should be on file for a period of time, if for some reason the department loses another full time Officer. Chairperson Kaper stated it has always been that a Reserve Officer is selected.

Lt. Randy Mayersky stated that some Officers were interested in working part time at another Police Department. Chairperson Kaper stated that the Town Attorney advised that it would not be in the best interest of the Commission to allow Officers to work part time at another Department due to liability issues. Lt. Mayersky stated that there is no difference in security work done by other Officers.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

End 7:21 P.M.

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