

PORTER METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSION  
March 19, 2024  
TOWN HALL

The Porter Police Commission was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

In attendance were Gerald Gruett, Mark Lynk, Chief Todd Allen, and Don Craft, Council Liaison, and Tammie Sufana Recording Secretary. Absent Jeff Huckaby

Appointment of Officers and Secretary

Lynk made a motion to appoint Huckaby as President, Gruett made second.  
Motion passed 2-0.

Gruett made a motion to appoint Lynk as Vice President, Lynk made second.  
Motion passed 2-0.

Lynk made a motion to appoint Sufana as Recording Secretary, Gruett seconded.  
Motion passed 2-0.

Approval of Minutes-Gruett made a motion to approve the minutes of November 21, 2023 as written, Lynk seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Monthly Reports-Chief Allen mentions he handed out reports for the last three months and numbers are steady in total. Traffic stops are up with the warm weather.

Chief Allen comments he has a few officers that have some recent training achievements. Officer Haynes has become a Certified Firearms and EVO Instructor. In addition he has obtained a certification as a Less-Lethal Instructor. The department now has two EVO Instructors Haynes and Gonzalez. Officer Riley Owens and Sgt Bylthe recently attended a Tactical Medic Course. Owens is a certified Emergency Medical Responder and Blythe is a certified EMT. Officer Rospierski recently completed a rigorous course and is now certified as a Drug Recognition Expert. In Porter County there are only 4 DRE certified Officers our department has 3 of those 4 Owens, Rospierski, and Bylthe.

## Old Business-NONE

New Business-Chief Allen states he is looking to hire two part time officers- Matt Mues, PCSP officer with 5 years' experience.

Gruett made a motion to approve the hiring of Matt Mues as a Part Time Patrol Officer, Lynk made the second.

Motion passed 2-0.

Chief Allen states Mike Dickey, PCSP officer with 4 years' experience and is a certified Emergency Medical Responder.

Gruett made a motion to approve the hiring of Mike Dickey as a Part Time Patrol Officer, Lynk made the second.

Motion passed 2-0.

Chief Allen comments he would like to start implementing something new a give out a few Spring Awards-

**Appreciation Award**- Officer Art Elwood 21 years of service, Dispatcher Amanda Gucciardo 15 years of service.

**Pro Active Policing**-Officer Austin Haynes and Officer Riley Owens for pursuit and arrest of homicide suspect.

**Life Saving Actions**-Officer Marty Gonzalez for water rescue at Porter Beach.

**5 Years of Service**- Corp Kevin Rospierski

**10 Years of Service**-Lt Dan Dickey

**15 Years of Service**- Detective Sergeant Tawni Komisarcik, Officer Marty Gonzalez

**20 Years of Service**-Asst. Chief Jason Casbon

**25 Years of Service**-Police Chief Todd Allen

## Public Comments-NONE

Comments-Liaison-Craft comments thank you all for all your service. He has always been proud of the department and appreciates all you do.

Commission Comments-Gruett comments he is humbled by your professionalism and hard work and would like everyone to stand up and a give you all an applause.

Lynk mentions that he wants to thank all of you also.

Minutes approved this 21<sup>ST</sup> day of May, 2024.

Jeff Huckaby  
Mark Lynk  
Jerry Gruett

Attest: Tammie Sufana, Recording Secretary