



McCordsville Metropolitan Board of Police Commissioners-Minutes

Location: McCordsville Town Hall – Council Chambers

Date: Monday – January 28, 2019

Time: 6:00 pm EST

Minutes Summary:

1. Meeting was called to order at approximately 1800 hours.
2. Roll Call
Present – Ariel Schoen, Dr. Bryan Burney, Claude Robinson, Chuck Meggenhofen, Mark Walker,
William Benson, Pastor Wade Apel, Major Casey
Absent – Chief Rodgers
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Swearing in of Mr. William Benson and Mr. Claude Robinson
5. Election of Officers
A. President to be Mark Walker – 1st William Benson 2nd Claude Robinson – Motion Passed 4-0
B. Vice President to be Chuck Meggenhofen – 1st Claude Robinson 2nd William Benson – Motion Passed 4-0
C. Secretary to be Pastor Wade Apel – 1st Chuck Meggenhofen 2nd William Benson – Motion Passed 4-0
6. Minutes were Approved and Signed from
A. December 17, 2018 (Regular Meeting) – 1st Chuck Meggenhofen 2nd Claude Robinson – Motion Passed 5-0
B. January 04, 2019 (Executive Meeting) – 1st Claude Robinson 2nd Chuck Meggenhofen – Motion Passed 4-0
C. January 04, 2019 (Special Meeting) – 1st William Benson 2nd Claude Robinson – Motion Passed 4-0
7. Old Business
A. Rifle update - A new quote for new rifles is being put together by Sergeant Bell. The rifles will be a 223 Platform. The quote will be for Smith & Wesson M&P once the quote comes back from the manufacturer with all the specs Sergeant Bell has been instructed to email it out to the entire department. Major Casey would like the new officers to receive a rifle when they are hired on from here on out and then to have all

officers hired before now to get theirs in 2020. The McCordsville Metropolitan Police Department will be the owners of the new rifles.

B. Dr. Bryan Burney mentioned that he saw a speed monitor device that goes on a post instead of a traveling trailer speed monitor device. Major Casey will follow up with local agencies who use the post style device.

8. New Business

A. EAP – Employee Assistance Program – For \$3,000 a year for 50 employees or below that work for the Town of McCordsville would have these services available to them and their family members that live in the employee's household for help with grief and loss, marriage problems, mental health, addiction, drug abuse, alcohol abuse and among other programs. They would be able to talk to someone over the phone or make an appointment to talk about their problem. This would be no cost to the employee because the Town of McCordsville would paid the yearly cost. This program would all be through Community Health Hospital.

B. POST – Police Officer Support Team – IMPD Officer with their POST came recently for a department training event which Major Casey thinks that it turned out well. Chief Crooke from Cumberland Police Department has asked if any of our officers from our department maybe interested in joining their POST. The POST needs 4 officers at least to have a team. The problem he is having is their POST is all voluntary, so if you get called out you are to go and it will be your own time and money. Most officers go through the training but don't stay long after that first call out.

C. Parking Complaint Bay Creek West – Officer Watts went out and took a look at it. Unfortunately, there are many housing additions with the same issues. The problem seems to be with mailboxes being on both sides of the street and parking on both sides of the street also. The United States Postal Service would be the one that needs contacted first to start the process of moving mailboxes. The Council would be the one that would need to be contact about the parking going from both sides of the street to just one side of the street. The Police Department has no say in either of those problems.

D. Update on The Department – Meeting, Changes, Adjustments

1. Business Continuity – Lieutenant Sleeth and Sergeant Bell now have access to everything that Major Casey has access to, since he was the back up. At least the physical access part not all of the technical access part of the Police Department yet. All of the inside and outside accounts that could be closed have been closed. Major Casey does now have a credit card to use for emergencies purposes only. The most important thing that has happen through this whole deal is that the Officers continue to do their job at a high level and we continue to offer the best services to the community.

2. Security has been added and is still being add to the Town Hall.

3. Meeting with Jim at Docuware. Docuware is back up and running.

4. Budget Meeting to look for what needs to be add for the 2020 budget. Look for additional safety for our Officers. (Better Weight Distribute Tactical Vest and Improvement in Gear)

5. Start an email committee to come up with a voluntary one-time purchase for citizens of McCordsville to help with Officers safety. Maybe like a sticker or a magnet for the citizen's vehicle.

6. Mark, Wade, and Major Casey will meet to further the discussion about the pay scale for the Police Department.

7. CPR and AED recertification for the Police Officers and Stormy was done at the training meeting in January 2019.

8. The Department was able to sell Officer's vest and some equipment to other Police Departments they went to work for after leaving McCordsville Police Department.

9. The switching of the hand guns has been pushed back to September for the Fall qualifications.

10. McCordsville Police Department had our first intern from Franklin College. Quenton was his name and he was present the month of January. It was a good experience for him, he is more interested in the Forensic area.

11. 8 Officer applications were submitted, 6 interviews were done, but 3 names are being put forth. Major Casey hopes to have 2 people to move forward with by the next Metro Board Meeting.

12. McCordsville Police Department Facebook is back up and running again.

13. McCordsville Police Department is looking to find a 50-50 match from the Community to purchase more AED machines. Even if the businesses don't kick in, there is room in the budget to put one in each police vehicle.

14. Major Casey is wrapping up 2018 reports and starting to go through evidence and seeing what can be destroyed.

15. FMLA has been applied in regarding Chief Rodgers. His position is guaranteed for 12 weeks.

16. Officer Barnes is asking for the Light Duty Policy to be looked into and see if some changes can be made so the Officers could have an option to work under the Light Duty Policy if the Doctor releases them to light duty.

17. Suggested making changes to the Car Take Home Policy 12.4. 1st William Benson 2nd Chuck Meggenhofen. - Motion Passed 5-0

18. 10.230 – Major Casey suggested allowances to extend time off for the Officers listed to have more time, so they can use their PTO, Vacation, and Etc. 6 More months additional time. 1st Chuck Meggenhofen 2nd Claude Robinson – Motion Passed 5-0

9. Recognition

A. Officer Barnes – 9 Years of Service with McCordsville Police Department

B. Day and Night Shift working well together on a Juvenile Case.

C. Officer Herbert and Officer Bell worked on a current drug case well together.

D. Pharmacy delivery to Meijer's had a vehicle stolen. Officers worked well together on that case. Probable cause is coming in that case.

10. Motion to Adjourn Meeting 19:49 – 1st Chuck Meggenhofen 2nd William Benson – Motion Passed 5-0

Minutes Approved

These minutes approved this 18th day of FEBRUARY, 2019.

Approved By: _____

Mark Walker - President, Board of Police Commissions

Attested By: _____

Wade E. Apel – Secretary, Board of Police Commissions