



McCordsville Metropolitan Board of Police Commissioners-Minutes

Location: McCordsville Town Hall – Council Chambers

Date: Monday – August 19, 2019

Time: 6:30 PM EST

Minutes Summary:

1. Meeting was called to order at approximately 1830 hours.
2. Roll Call
Present – Mr. Mark Walker, Mr. Charles Meggenhofen, Mr. Claude Robinson, Mr. William Benson, Dr. Bryan Burney, Mrs. Ariel Schoen, Chief Paul Casey
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Election of Secretary
A. Mr. Claude Robinson
1st Mr. William Benson 2nd Mr. Charles Meggenhofen – Motion Carried 3-0
5. Minutes were Approved and Signed from
A. July 15, 2019 – Regular Meeting
1st Mr. Claude Robinson 2nd Mr. Charles Meggenhofen – Motion Carried 4-0
B. July 24, 2019 – Executive Session
1st Mr. Charles Meggenhofen 2nd Mr. William Benson – Motion Carried 4-0
C. July 24, 2019 – Special Meeting
1st Mr. William Benson 2nd Mr. Charles Meggenhofen – Motion Carried 4-0
6. Swearing in of Chief Paul J. Casey was done by Mr. Mark Walker – President of McCordsville Metropolitan Board of Police Commissioners.
7. Old Business
A. Reach Alert Program Update – Chief Casey didn't contact them about the program. Hancock County Emergency Operations Center has several options to alert the community between The Rave Panic App, E-911, and Smart 911 which are all free to sign up for if they want to be alerted about an incident or problem. They are a good source of information.
B. Wireless Traffic Camera Update – Chief Casey has not made contact yet but will try to follow up soon.
C. Contracts for New Officers – The final draft is in place. The only question is do we need to keep the notary section? Notary is not needed for legal reasons since that is the case lets remove it from the contract. Approve employee agreement as amended.

1st Mr. William Benson 2nd Mr. Claude Robinson – Motion Carried 4-0

D. Business Cards for Metropolitan Board of Police Commissioners – Chief Casey will work on getting some business cards for each one of them with the Metropolitan Board of Police Commissioner's seal on it along with each person's name, email address, the Police Department's address, and the Police Department's phone number.

F. Metropolitan Board of Police Commissioners will be given 24/7 card access to the Police Department as a few Members have asked to have it.

8. New Business

A. Old Hiring Process Update – Mr. Stephen Dowers will be starting the Police Department September 03, 2019.

B. New Hiring Process Update – Last hiring process that closed on August 07, 2019 had a good turnout.

C. Policy Updates –

1. Approval of General Order 4.510 Handgun

1st Mr. William Benson 2nd Mr. Claude Robinson – Motion Carried 4-0

2. Approval of General Order 4.530 Patrol Carbine

1st Mr. Claude Robinson 2nd Mr. William Benson – Motion Carried 4-0

3. Approval of General Order 10.430 Police Canine

1st Mr. Charles Meggenhofen 2nd Mr. William Benson Motion Carried 4-0

D. Dell Computer Purchase – No official quotes back yet.

E. DVD Machine and Work Station – The system backs up the in-car cameras on to DVDs and burns copies of DVDs that are requested audio/video camera footage. It also frees up space on the server. The system needs replaced.

1. Approval to Replace System but Not to Exceed over \$5,250.00.

1st Mr. Charles Meggenhofen 2nd Mr. Claude Robinson – Motion 4-0

F. School Resource Officer (SRO) Update –

1. A new AR locker was bought by the Police Department to be installed in a specific location for the SRO at the school. It will be able to be accessed electronically. Thanks to the maintenance staff at the school for helping get it set up.

G. School Update –

1. Chief Casey, Mark Witsman (The Town Engineer), Principal Miller, Officer Carder, and the other Patrol Officers have been out looking at the traffic situation on 700 North and 600 West. It's getting better since having a full time Officer there, but it will continue to be worked on. 700 North is more of a stacking issue not a parking issue. Chief Casey has received ideas on how to improve it from Officer Carder, school staff, Officers within the Police Department, and Dr. Bryan Burney. Mark and Principal Miller are going to work together to see if they can continue improving the situation.

H. General Department Update –

1. Chief Casey attended a County wide web conference about the Neighborhood App sponsored by Ring that has a different level of access for Law Enforcement. The Neighborhood App excepts any system's video not just Ring. Chief Casey has the invite code from Ring but will look into also what Fishers system is since a lot of the traffic is coming from there or going to there. Hancock County Sheriff's Department has already gone ahead and joined with Ring. Fortville Police Department has already been using Fishers system. Update to come when the decision is made.

2. Chief Casey met with Deputy Bridget Foy about Zoey's Place. Zoey's Place is moving along very well. Still waiting on the Town of McCordsville to set a donation amount. Hopefully then the Police Department will be able to match that donation amount. The donation would be on a year to year bases.

3. Path to Fitness 5k hosted by the Town of McCordsville was this past Saturday August 17, 2019. The turnout was very successful.

4. Champions Meeting is August 27, 2019 at Mt. Vernon High School from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM. The meeting will be going over Growth Pattern, Growth Plan, Money, and Strategies. The public is Welcome to attend.

5. A couple of Safety Meetings are coming up. One is the Hancock County wide that is at Greenfield Central High School and the other one is local at Mt. Vernon School. All the Police Departments and the Sheriff's Department in Hancock County come together to go over both tactics and strategies in an event if any type of mass incident was to happen. The meetings are to make sure everything is in line just in case.

6. Ryan Crum ask that Chief Casey attend the Road Safety Meeting for the MPO which is part of a grant program process. The topic being studied is 600 West and 600 North.

7. August training for the Police Department is Defensive Tactics and the DART firearms simulator.

I. General Update from Town Council Meeting on August 13, 2019 –

1. Sagebrook Annexation is still moving forward.

2. Meadows at Sagebrook introduced informal.

3. Oakcrest subdivision is still moving forward.

9. Recognition

1. National Night Out was a success and went great. Detective Watts did a great job working with Tonya on planning the event.

2. Chief Casey would like to say Thank You to Mark and the Metropolitan Board of Police Commissioners for Chief Rodgers retirement and for him becoming Chief announcements in the newspapers.

3. Sergeant Bell has a birthday coming up this month.

4. Thank You to Chief Casey and Officer Smith for all the hard work that has been done to get the canine for the department.

10. Motion to Adjourn Meeting 1910 hours.

1st Mr. Charles Meggenhofen 2nd Mr. William Benson – Motion Carried 4-0

Minutes Approved

These minutes approved this 21st day of October, 2019.

Approved By: _____

Mark Walker - President, Board of Police Commissions

Attested By: _____

Claude Robinson – Secretary, Board of Police Commissions