POLICE COMMISSION MINUTES

November 7, 2014

8:00 A.M.

IN ATTENDANCE:  George E. Kennedy – Police Commission Chairman
                  Robert Peter Guip – Police Commissioner
                  Gene Ward – Police Commissioner
                  James Donohue – Assistant Chief of Police
                  Joseph Petruch – Chief of Police

Commissioner Kennedy asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and to remain standing afterwards for the invocation by Chaplain Randy Scott.

ITEM I

Motion was made to accept the minutes of the Police Commission Meeting dated October 3, 2014 as presented.

Commissioner Kennedy stated all in favor signify by saying, “Aye.”
All replied, “Aye.”
Commissioner Kennedy stated, “Opposed, same sign.”
Commissioner Kennedy stated, “Motion carries.”

ITEM II

STATISTICS REPORT

Chief Petruch presented the Monthly Statistical Report for September 2014. Total Citations: 600; Adult Arrests: 70; Calls For Service remain high.

ITEM III

LETTERS OF CORRESPONDENCE

Chief Petruch read a letter from Commander Kijuma stating:
It is with great honor that I announce that Officer Nickolaus Schultz has been named the 2014 Merrillville Police Department Officer of the Year. Nick made the ultimate sacrifice for the Town of Merrillville and the Merrillville Police Department. That sacrifice shall never be forgotten. Nick was loved by all who knew him and will always be remembered as a hero. Nick will be recognized at the Crossroads Regional Chamber of Commerce Annual Gala on November 22. Nick will also be recognized at the Northwest Indiana Law Enforcement Awards Banquet which will be held sometime in early 2015.
Chief went on to state this Merrillville Police 2014 Officer of the Year, is with great honor, and the family will be attending the Gala to be presented with a plaque in honor of Nick’s Ultimate Sacrifice.

ITEM IV

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

ITEM V

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Petruch presented the Eligibility list for Corporal.

Commissioner Guip made a motion to ratify the eligibility list for Corporal dated November 7, 2014 and to remain active for two (2) years, and was seconded by Commissioner Ward.

Commissioner Kennedy asked if there was any discussion.

Commissioner Kennedy requested that Chief Petruch take a roll call vote.

Chief Petruch took a roll call vote.

Commissioner Ward, “Aye”
Commissioner Guip, “Aye”
Commissioner Kennedy, “Aye”
Commissioner Kennedy stated, “Three Ayes, and the motion carries.”

Chief Petruch presented the Eligibility list for Sergeant.

Commissioner Guip made a motion to ratify the eligibility list for Sergeant dated November 7, 2014 and to remain active for two (2) years, and was seconded by Commissioner Ward.

Commissioner Kennedy asked if there was any discussion.

Commissioner Kennedy requested that Chief Petruch take a roll call vote.

Chief Petruch took a roll call vote.

Commissioner Ward, “Aye”
Commissioner Guip, “Aye”
Commissioner Kennedy, “Aye”
Commissioner Kennedy stated, “Three Ayes, and the motion carries.”

Chief Petruch presented the Eligibility list for Lieutenant.

Commissioner Guip made a motion to ratify the eligibility list for Lieutenant dated November 7, 2014 and to remain active for two (2) years, and was seconded by Commissioner Ward.

Commissioner Kennedy asked if there was any discussion.

Commissioner Kennedy requested that Chief Petruch take a roll call vote.

Chief Petruch took a roll call vote.

Commissioner Ward, “Aye”
Commissioner Guip, “Aye”
Commissioner Kennedy, “Aye”
Commissioner Kennedy stated, “Three Ayes, and the motion carries.”

Chief Petruch presented the Eligibility list for Candidates for the Position of Police Officer.

Commissioner Guip made a motion to ratify the eligibility list for Position of Police Officer and was seconded by Commissioner Ward.

Commissioner Kennedy asked if there was any discussion.

Commissioner Kennedy requested that Chief Petruch take a roll call vote.

Chief Petruch took a roll call vote.

Commissioner Ward, “Aye”
Commissioner Guip, “Aye”
Commissioner Kennedy, “Aye”
Commissioner Kennedy stated, “Three Ayes, and the motion carries.”

Chief Petruch read Resolution 902 promoting Two Probationary Patrolmen, Pavle Popovich and David M. Bloch, to Second Class Patrolmen effective from and after 12:01 AM, November 12, 2014.
Commissioner Ward made a motion to accept Resolution 902 and was seconded by Commissioner Guip.

Commissioner Kennedy asked if there was any discussion.

Commissioner Kennedy requested that Chief Petruch take a roll call vote.

Chief Petruch took a roll call vote.

Commissioner Ward, “Aye”
Commissioner Guip, “Aye”
Commissioner, Kennedy “Aye”
Commissioner Kennedy stated, “Three Ayes, and the motion carries.”

AS THERE WAS NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.