PORTER POLICE COMMISSION
MINUTES

January 16, 2007

The Porter Police Commission was called to order at 6 p.m. Inattedance were Linda Hodges, President; William Donley, Vice-President; Karen Pisowicz, Commissioner, Chief James Spanier and Town Council Liaison Jennifer Granat.

Donley made a motion to approve the December 19, 2006 minutes. Pisowicz seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Donley was elected president and Hodges was elected vice-president. Newman was re-appointed secretary.

In his monthly reports, Chief Spanier noted there have been a lot of thefts from vehicles and a few break-ins to property. The department is following several leads. Spanier also presented the yearly report. Donley questioned if Spanier compared yearly increases or decreases. Spanier replied it has been done for the last 3 years and that each year has shown increases over the previous year.

Under Old Business: Waverly &US Hwy 20, Pisowicz stated that someone had picked up the petition from the gas station on Hwy 20. She had hoped to be able to send the petitions downstate but she will go out tomorrow to see what happened to the petition.

Spanier also noted that the Commission had questions regarding weapons carried and stated that everyone now has a Glock 45 and a 40 caliber small gun. He even stated that the new officer, Tawny Komisarcik is comfortable with the Glock 45. Donley questioned how long the guns should last. Spanier stated the department is probably about 6 years into the current guns and that they should be replaced within a couple years or, at least, parts replaced.

Under New Business, Spanier noted that Det. Veal is scheduled to attend VSA (voice stress analysis) school next month. Spanier has a Chief's Conference from February 7-10 and will be teaching emergency vehicle operation at the academy on the 1st and 2nd of February.

There were no public comments.

Under Commission comments, Pisowicz expressed concern regarding the increase in criminal activity. She noted that on her street (which is a dead-end) there seems to be more acitivity. She was told to contact the police department when this happens. From the audience, Jennifer Klug noted that since more information is in the newspaper, perhaps it just seems there is more activity.

Meeting adjourned 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Newman, secretary

Minutes approved this 20 day of Feb, ,2007

absent
William Donley, President

Linda Hodges
Linda Hodges, Vice-President

Karen Pisowicz
Karen Pisowicz, Commissioner

Attest Rita Newman
Rita Newman