

POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION MEETING

December 20, 2011

12:00 noon

Present: Mr. Durigan, Mr. DeSorcy, Mr. Harlow, Mr. Sankey and Mr. Helmrick

Others: Mr. Mahoney, Mr. Wierzba, Mr. Kluck and Mr. Deaver

1. Mr. Durigan called the meeting to order all members were noted present.
2. Mr. DeSorcy motioned, duly seconded by Mr. Sankey to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 15, 2011. The motion carried unanimously.
3. There was no one present to address the Commission.
4. The Police and Fire Commission members had no questions on the correspondence.
5. Upon motion by Mr. DeSorcy, duly seconded by Mr. Harlow, the Police and Fire Commission voted unanimously to approve the vouchers.
 - b. After some discussion, Mr. Helmrick motioned, duly seconded by Mr. DeSorcy to approve the Fire Department DOT Highway Reimbursement for the Town of Grant. The motion was unanimously approved.
6. Mr. Wierzba informed the Commission members, accidents are up, with one fatality. This is the first fatality in the Village since 2002. It occurred at the intersection of STH 54 and Maple Dr. Mr. Mahoney stated the Village has been in discussion with the DOT since 1999 in reference to that intersection. In 2003, the DOT rejected the suggestion for the reduction of speed and since the fatality; the Village has again address the issue of speed. The DOT has agreed to revamp the intersection of Maple Dr., with possibly a roundabout. The Village is still waiting for the DOT's response in reference to speed reduction in the mean time.

Mr. Kluck informed the Commission members the Fire Department has put on 9 new members. And on December 21, the Fire Department will two firefighters retire, Cory Nelson after 20 yrs of service and Ron Gear after 17 yrs of service. Mr. Kluck wished them on behalf of the department, thank you for their years of service. Mr. Kluck stated he has been very busy working with the Village of Whiting, as he is serving as the interim Fire Chief since their Fire Chief, Dan Kontos retired. Mr. Kluck will keep the members informed on the progress. Mr. Kluck informed the Commissioner the numbers are up on the Fire Department, with 39 Metro calls, 189 Fire/Rescue calls and 685 EMS calls.

Mr. DeSorcy motioned, duly seconded by Mr. Harlow to accept the Police and Fire Chiefs reports as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

7. Upon motion by Mr. Helmrick, duly seconded by Mr. Harlow, the meeting was unanimously adjourned.

Chris Knippel, Police & Fire Commission Secretary