

MERRILLVILLE METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSION MINUTES  
Merrillville Town Hall, 7820 Broadway

May 10, 2024

Regular Meeting called to order at 2:04 PM

IN ATTENDANCE: William Poling – Police Commissioner Chairman, Present  
Petar Dragojevic – Police Commissioner Vice Chairman, Present  
Michael Rich – Police Commissioner, Present  
Thomas Pawlak – Police Commissioner, Absent  
Michael Deppe – Police Commission Attorney, Present  
Josh Gonzales – Assistant Chief of Police, Present  
Konstantinos Nuses – Chief of Police, Present  
Lori Sanfratello – Chief’s Executive Director, Present

A quorum is present.

Commissioner Poling asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and remain standing for invocation from Attorney Deppe.

Attorney Deppe asked for a moment of silence in remembrance to our late Commissioner Ward.

ITEM I Motion was made to accept the minutes of the Police Commission Meeting dated April 10, 2024, as presented.

Commissioner Rich made a motion to accept April 10, 2024, minutes and was seconded by Commissioner Dragojevic.

Commissioner Poling asked if there was any discussion.

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

ITEM II STATISTICS REPORT

Chief Presented the February 2024 states: 99 State Reports; 1 Fatality; 294 Citations; 3 OWI Arrests; 85 Adult Arrests; 2 Juvenile

Arrests; 2,001 Total Case Reports; 11 Battery; 10 Domestic Battery; 10 Vehicle Thefts; 134 False Alarms.

Chief Presented the March 2024 states: 94 State Reports; 0 Fatality; 17 Hit and Run; 310 Total Citations; 77 Adult Arrests; 173 False Alarms.

ITEM III LETTERS OF CORRESPONDENCE

NONE

ITEM IV OLD BUSINESS

NONE

ITEM V NEW BUSINESS

Amend General Order 17.20 Field Training Program.

Commissioner Dragojevic made a motion to amend General Order 17.20 Field Training Program and was seconded by Commissioner Rich.

Commissioner Poling asked if there was any discussion.

Commissioner Poling requested that Chief Nuses take a roll call vote.

Chief Nuses took a roll call vote.

Commissioner Rich, "Aye"  
Commissioner Dragojevic, "Aye"  
Commissioner Poling, "Aye"  
Commissioner Pawlak, Absent

Commissioner Poling stated, "Vote is unanimous, and the motion carries."

ITEM VI

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Dragojevic made motion to adjourn and was seconded by Commissioner Rich.

Commissioner Poling stated all in favor signify by saying, "Aye."  
All replied, "Aye."  
Commissioner Poling stated, "Opposed, same sign."  
Commissioner Poling stated, "Adjourn."

Commissioner Poling stated the next regular meeting will be Friday May 10, 2024, at 2:00 P.M.

AS THERE WAS NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED at 2:12pm

Passed and adopted on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 2024.

  
Lori Sanfratello  
Chief's Executive Director  
Police Commission Secretary

  
William Poling  
Police Commissioner Chairman