

MERRILLVILLE METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSION MINUTES
Merrillville Town Hall, 7820 Broadway

March 8, 2024

Regular Meeting called to order at 2:07 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
Gene Ward – Police Commissioner, Absent
Michael Deppe – Police Commission Attorney, Absent
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.

ITEM I Motion was made to accept the minutes of the Police Commission Meeting dated February 2, 2024, as presented.

Commissioner Rich made a motion to accept February 2, 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 Nuses presented the January 2024 Monthly Statistical reports as presented.

ITEM III

LETTERS OF CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Poling read letter of Disability Retirement from Lt. James Bonger.

Commissioner Dragojevic made motion to accept Lt. Bogners letter of retirement 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 Ward, Absent

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

Commissioner Poling read a letter of resignation from Cpl. Kevin Furman.

Commissioner Rich made motion to accept Cpl. Furmans letter of resignation and was seconded by Commissioner Dragojevic.

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 Ward, Absent

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

ITEM IV OLD BUSINESS

NONE

ITEM V NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Poling read Resolution 1024 Approving Employment of Two Probationary Second Class Patrolmen Nicholas Enyeart and Brian Williams effective from and after 12:01 AM, February 23, 2024. This position will be for the duration of a one-year probationary period from this date and the rate of pay will be set by the Chief of Police for the first year of employment.

Commissioner Dragojevic made a motion to accept Resolution 1024 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 Ward, Absent

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

Commissioner Poling read Resolution 1025 Promoting Two Probationary Second Class Patrolman Timothy Michels and Philip Mason to First Cass Patrolman effective from and after 12:01 AM March 3, 2024.

Commissioner Rich made a motion to accept Resolution 1025 and was seconded by Commissioner Dragojevic.

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 Ward, Absent

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

New General Order 23.12 Special First Class Patrolman.

Commissioner Dragojevic made motion to accept New General Order 23.12 Special First Class Patrolman 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 Ward, 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 April 5, 2024, at 2:00 P.M.

AS THERE WAS NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED at 2:18pm

Passed and adopted on this 5th day of April 2024.


Lori Sanfratello
Chief's Executive Director
Police Commission Secretary


William Poling
Police Commissioner Chairman