

HIGHLAND POLICE COMMISSION MEETING

January 12, 2023

The Highland Police Commission met in regular session. Commissioner Krooswyk called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Commissioners Moes Jurczak and Stombaugh were present. Commissioner Danko was absent with prior notice. Chief Hojnicky was present. Councilman Sheeman was also present. Attorney Reed was not present, but available by telephone as predetermined.

There were no public comments.

Minutes of the December 8, 2022 meeting were approved.
Approval was given to forward claims to the Town Council for payment.

Appointments

Commissioner Krooswyk made a nomination for the 2023 Police Commission Slate for Commissioner Jurczak as Chairman with a second from Commissioner Stombaugh. Commissioner Moes made a nomination for Commissioner Danko as Vice Chair with a second from Commissioner Krooswyk. Commissioner Stombaugh made a nomination for Commissioner Moes as Secretary with a second from Commissioner Krooswyk. The Police Commission on a viva voce vote approved the 2023 Metropolitan Board of Commissioners. On a motion by Commissioner Krooswyk and a second by Commissioner Moes the Commission reappointed Abrahamson, Reed & Bilse as Legal Counsel. On a motion by Commissioner Krooswyk and a second by Commissioner Stombaugh the Commission reappointed LuAnn Stirling as Recording Secretary.

Personnel

On a motion by Commissioner Moes and seconded by Commissioner Krooswyk the Commission on a viva voce vote accepted the resignation of Officer Emmalie Wolke to be effective 12-31-22.

Training

On a motion by Commissioner Stombaugh and seconded by Commissioner Moes the Commission on a viva voce vote approved the following training:

EVO Instructor-January 16-19, 2023- Corporal Manyek-ILEA- Plainfield,IN Regis-\$425; Lodging-\$440(1rm 4 nights @ \$100 per night plus tax)Per Diem- \$240(4 dys @ \$60 per day max) Mileage- Na
Breath Test Certification- Feb 8, Feb 22, March 8 2023-Durocher,Norsweather,Freyek,Gllidwell,Watkins,C Anderson,Brzezinski,Sapp-Indianapolis,IN; Regis-\$2400(8@\$300);
Lodging-\$925.(8rms 1night@\$104 plus tax);Per Diem- \$480(1dy@ \$60 perday per officer max);Mileage- NA

Conflict of Interest

On a motion by Commissioner Moes and second by Commissioner Stombaugh the Commission on a viva voce vote approved the Conflict of Interest Statement of Sgt. Glenn Cox (NWI Emergency Outfitters).

On a motion by Commissioner Moes and second by Commissioner Stombaugh the Commission on a viva voce vote approved the Conflict of Interest Statement of Police Commissioner Terry Krooswyk (Krooswyk Trucking) with Commissioner Krooswyk abstaining from the vote.

On a motion by Commissioner Krooswyk and seconded by Commissioner Moes the Commission approved the amendment of the Agenda to adopt the proposal of the Take Home Car Policy to forward to the Town Council for approval.

SOP

On a motion by Commissioner Krooswyk and seconded by Commissioner Moes the Commission on a viva voce vote approved the amendment for SOP # 4.9 Care & Use of Take Home Vehicles.

Promotions

On a motion by Commissioner Moes and seconded by Commissioner Krooswyk the Commission on a viva voce vote approved the promotion of 2nd Class Patrolman Kenneth Norsweather to 1st Class Patrolman to be effective 12-27-22.

On a motion by Commissioner Stombaugh and seconded by Commissioner Moes the Commission unanimously voted for Commander Ralph J Potesta as their designee for the Position of Chief of Police to be forwarded to the Town Council for their approval.

Business from the floor: None

Commission Comments: Commissioner Jurczak stated all training is very important for the department as well as the updating of the SOP's. Commissioner Krooswyk complimented Chief Hojnicky on his 21 years of service as Chief of Police to the Department and congratulated Commander Potesta on his appointment and his years of service In CID, also noting the Commission cares about the Highland Police Department. Commissioner Moes wished to thank Commissioner Krooswyk for his year of service as Chairman.

Chiefs Comments:

Double T towing dropped off a sub tray.
Konnie Kuiper donated a box of apples and oranges
Berts Towing dropped off a sub tray
Highland resident Arlene Olson brought in a tray of cookies
Shelbys sister in law made homemade brownies
A student from OLG dropped off a tray of cookies
Al & Rose dropped of a chocolate and nut tray
Harrington Family of Highland dropped off a tray of cookies
Girl Scout Troop 15514 brought in 2 "tie-blankets" for the pd
Varsity Sports brought in a Coffee cake
Dillion Edwards brought in box of donuts
Tim Kolbert LP of Meijr, brought in a basket of goodies for all and even tennis balls for Bane.
The Liquor Stop on Blvd brought in bottles of red wine for everyone
The Brantwood neighborhood sent in a tray of cookies
Cakes by Karen dropped of 4 boxes of sweets
Nothing Bundt Cakes brought in a large cake for all
Vip Ron Wojno brought in a shrimp tray
Diane Conrath brought in 2 doz donuts
Anon lady brought in treat bags for everyone
Dans Pierogies brought in some pierogis
Jedis dropped off 3 cakes for all to enjoy
Region Highlands Best After School Summer Camp dropped off donuts
Growlers invited Officers in for a free meal in recognition of Natl Law Enforcement Day.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:44 PM as recorded by LuAnn Stirling, Recording Secretary