

## GRIFFITH SAFETY BOARD

September 12, 2013

The Griffith Safety Board was called to order by Chairman Marker at 7:00 p.m.

### Those in Attendance

Jim Marker	Griffith Safety Board Chairman
Gary Sutton	Griffith Safety Board Vice-Chairman
Liz Goral	Griffith Safety Board Secretary
John Volkmann	Griffith Safety Board Member
RoAnn Purgert	Griffith Safety Board Member
Glen Gaby	Town Council Liaison
Matthew Argadine	Police Detective Lieutenant
Roy Schoon	Fire Department

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance. The following items were discussed:

Approval of August 8, 2013 minutes: Motion by Safety Board member Volkmann  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Safety Board member Purgert  
Motion carried 4-0.

Reports: Griffith Police Department

Lt Argadine read the monthly report for August.

Griffith Safety Extravaganza will be held Saturday, September 14 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Central Park. Some of the demonstrations will be Griffith K9, NW Regional SWAT Team and Lake County helicopter unit.

NW Regional SWAT Team is hosting a Cops and Robbers fundraiser in which participants will be able to play laser tag with actual SWAT Team members. The event is being hosted by Zig-E's Funland in St. John between 11:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. this Saturday, September 14, 2013.

On Sunday, September 15, 2013 there is a benefit motorcycle ride hosted by Finnegan's Pub on US 30 (1074 Joliet) in Dyer all proceeds will go the Griffith Animal Control Building Fund. Registration starts at 10:00 a.m. and donations are \$20.00 per bike or \$30.00 for bike and passenger.

Grant Officer, Ryan Bottiger, has secured a \$1000.00 grant from Pedigree Dog Company to offset the operation cost for our animal control center.

Norfolk Southern Railroad Foundation presented a donations check for \$2000.00 to the Griffith K9 Program. This program is 100% funded through donations and we are grateful to all those who continue to contribute regardless of the dollar amount.

### Griffith Fire Department

Chief Schoon read the August monthly report.

CN Railroad is sponsoring Firefighter Tom Summers attendance of the Tank Car Specialist Course in Pueblo, Colorado from September 30<sup>th</sup> through October 4<sup>th</sup>.

The new hires are waiting on background checks from the Indiana State Police. As soon as background checks come in the interviews and agility tests will be conducted.

For the record, two items were presented to the Safety Board from Battalion Chief Marty Michaels. One is a proposal for the purchase of a rescue truck and fire engine also a roofing proposal for multiple town fire stations. These proposals will be reviewed by all Safety Board Members.

VEST

Nothing

FOP Post 161

Nothing

**New Business**

**Announcements**

Congratulations to Fire Chief Schoon on his one year anniversary.

**Questions/comments from the floor.**

Nothing

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

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