

## **GRIFFITH SAFETY BOARD**

January 10, 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
RoAnn Purgert	Griffith Safety Board Member
John Volkmann	Griffith Safety Board Member
Matthew A. Moore	Interim Chief of Police
Roy Schoon	Fire Department

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

Approval of December 13, 2012 minutes: Motion by Safety Board Member Sutton  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Safety Board Member Volkmann  
Motion carried 5-0

A motion by Safety Board Member Sutton, seconded by Safety Board Member Goral, to appoint Safety Board Member Marker to the position of Chairman. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion by Safety Board Member Volkmann, seconded by Safety Board Member Purgert, to appoint Safety Board Member Sutton to the position of Vice-Chairman. Motion Carried 5-0.

A motion by Safety Board Member Purgert, seconded by Safety Board Member Volkmann, to appoint Safety Board Member Goral to the position of Secretary. Motion Carried 5-0.

Reports: Griffith Police Department

Interim Chief Moore read the monthly report for December.

Interim Chief Moore reported that there was a meeting with Highland and Munster to discuss the Inter-Local Agreement.

Interim Chief Moore also met with Mr. Bubala, who maintains the Town of Griffith website, to discuss updates to the Police Department website.

### **Griffith Fire Department**

Chief Schoon read the December monthly report.

### **VEST**

Mike Czerwinski wanted to thank Interim Police Chief Matt Moore and Jeff Gang for the purchase of reflective jackets and pagers for the VEST officers.

### **FOP Post 161**

Nothing

## Old Business

**S.O.P.** – Interim Chief of Police Moore reported that the SOP would be available to the Safety Board by January 15, 2013.

## New Business

A motion by Safety Board Vice –Chairman Sutton, seconded by Safety Board Member Purgert, to recommend to the Town Council the promotion of Don Hill to the position of Deputy Fire Chief. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion by motion by Safety Board Secretary Goral, seconded by Safety Board Member Volkmann, to recommend to the Town Council the promotion of Matt Jabkowski to the position of Interim Lieutenant. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion by Safety Board Member Purgert, seconded by Safety Board Member Volkmann to recommend to the Town Council the promotion of Probationary Patrolman Jason Gary to First Class Patrolman effective 1/3/13. Motion carried 5-0.

School Resource Officer (SRO) Peter Ghrist gave a report on his numerous duties in the Griffith Public Schools. Officer Ghrist is a State Certified School Safety Specialist and Indiana is a leading state in the country with this program. . There was discussion about how vital his presence is within the Griffith Public Schools.

Questions/comments from the floor.

Town Council President Gaby asked why the tornado siren was set off at 4:30 p.m. on today's date. Acting Lieutenant Sergeant Gang explained that Miner Electronics was on location making some repairs to the radio system and discovers and issue with dispatches ability to activate the tornado siren. Miner Electronics fixed the issue and had to test the system.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

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