

Lindenhurst Fire and Police Commission

2014 Annual Report

During the first quarter of 2014, Chief Klahs discussed the police budget for the fiscal year 2014-2015. The department's daily staffing was discussed concerning the daily scheduling of full and part-time officers as well as commanders to ensure coverage of "off-times" each day. Currently, the part-time officers are fulfilling a very important role for the village.

The Commissioners and Chief discussed the development of a "Transfer Eligibility List" to enable the department to fill a vacated position using proven, experienced police officers that are currently available for hire. Transfer applicants is discussed further in Section 6 of the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, effective October 8, 2012.

During the second quarter, an email was sent to the police commission board from IFPCA attorney John Broihier regarding the departments use of the current police testing that should not be used to screen applicants who are filing applications for an eligibility list. Such testing would be redundant should the applicant be hired/appointed in the future.

In addition, Chief Klahs provided updates on the following topics:

a – Future Office Eligibility Testing – Discussion and decision to continue In-House testing of new Officer Eligibility candidates as in previous years as opposed to using an outside source for test administration.

b – Deputy Chief position – Scheduled to be filled in January 2015; Chief Klahs will pick the best officer from a current list of 15 full time and part time officers.

c – Speed Advisory sign – the new sign was posted in different areas within the village, as a "Traffic Calmer", its abilities to monitor vehicle speeds and provide images of vehicle type,

color and license plate information will be used as deemed necessary by the department.

d- Crime Report – an increased amount of residential car burglaries have been reported within the village, which prompts the department to remind residents to keep your doors locked, remove all personal items in view and keep outside areas lit whenever possible.

e- Evaluations – The mid-year performance evaluations were reviewed for commanders and officers. This will provide clear communication to each officer on attainment of his or her yearly goals.

During the third quarter, the commissioners received a mailing from the IFPCA regarding the annual conference being held in Naperville in 2014. No commissioners were able to attend the conference during 2014.

Mr. Daniel White was re-appointed by the Village Board as a police commissioner for another three years through to 2017.

It was noted that there were no police officer positions open throughout 2014 in the police department as of the 4th quarter.

Drafted by Tom Berger

Chairperson LFPC

Approved at the LFPC meeting of December 15, 2014.