



# TOWN OF GRIFFITH PUBLIC SAFETY BOARD

111 N. Broad Street, Griffith, IN 46319

Special Regular Meeting Minutes  
July 18, 2024

The Griffith Safety Board was called to order by Chairman George Jerome at 1:30 P.M.

### Those in Attendance

George Jerome	Griffith Safety Board Chairman
Phil Vechev	Griffith Safety Board Vice Chairman
RoAnn Purgert	Griffith Safety Board Secretary
Liz Goral	Griffith Safety Board Member
Sue Katona	Griffith Safety Board Member
Greg Mance	Chief, Griffith Police Department
Christian Bartholomew	Legal Counsel, Burke Costanza & Carberry

The following items were discussed:

### NEW BUSINESS

1. Griffith Police Department seeks authorization to hire Raleigh D. Redinger as a Probationary Patrol Officer.

Chief Mance stated a Conditional Offer of Employment has been made to the Number 1 applicant on the Department's hiring list: Raleigh D. Redinger. Chief Mance advised Mr. Redinger has passed all the State requirements, plus a polygraph, and has been approved by PERF. The next Law Enforcement Academy starts on Monday, July 29, 2024, with the Physical Assessments being conducted on Monday, July 22, 2024. Chief Mance stated once Mr. Redinger passes the Physical Assessments, he would like to swear in Mr. Redinger in the afternoon of July 22, 2024, so that Mr. Redinger could attend the Academy. Chief Mance stated he was seeking authorization to hire Raleigh D. Redinger as a Probationary Patrol Officer pending his passing NILEA's Physical Assessments on July 22, 2024.

PSB Chairman Jerome made a motion to authorize the hiring of Raleigh D. Redinger as a Probationary Patrol Officer, pending his passing NILEA's Physical Assessments on July 22, 2024.

PSB Member Goral seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

### QUESTIONS / COMMENTS

In response to Chairman Jerome's question, Chief Mance stated the Police Department is desperate for vehicles. He has gone to the Town Council for assistance, but there are budget constraints, which they are currently waiting for answers from the State.

Chief Mance advised that Congressman Frank Mrvan reached out to him to see if the Department needed anything. Congressman Mrvan has awarded the Department \$400,000 for the purchase of new radios to replace the ones the officers currently are using, which are extremely out of date and lose connectivity in many locations throughout the Town.

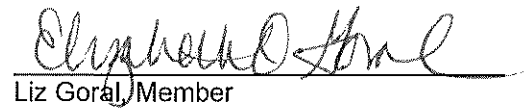
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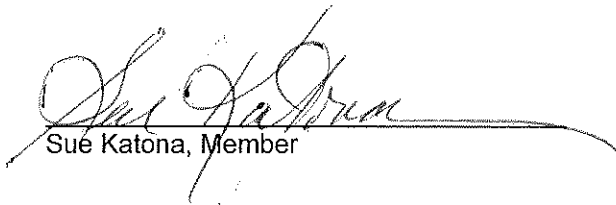
The meeting was adjourned at 1:34 P.M.

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George Jerome, Chairman

  
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RoAnn Purgert, Secretary

  
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Minutes Prepared By:

  
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Joan Kolodziej, Recording Secretary