

Pittsboro Town Council Meeting

Pittsboro Police Department Update

April 18, 2006

7:00 PM

Agenda

- 1. New Officer Hire-** I have submitted a memo to each board member on hiring Nate Symanski as a Pittsboro Police Officer, pending he pass the PERF physical and mental exams. PERF has an opening for April 26th, and we usually get the results within a week. Mr. Symanski is a certified officer through ILEA, and would qualify to be paid \$34,000 a year. \$30,000 was approved in the budget for a new officer. Approximately \$23,000 of that would be needed to pay his salary for the rest of the year, if he started in May. There is a pay period starting April 30th and one on May 14th. Mr. Samanski advised that he would be available to begin as soon as needed.
- 2. STATS-** The following are stats for 2004, 2005, and 2006 from January 1 to April 18 of that given year: **2004: 4 Accidents and 23 Case Reports, 2005: 5 Accidents and 21 Case Reports, 2006: 7 Accidents and 53 Case Reports.** The increase can be attributed to more officers out on the road (Hendricks County would have been taking the additional cases prior) and that Pittsboro is a growing community. With the construction at the interstate and the beginning of Jefferson Park, I believe the cases will only increase.
- 3. Hail Damage-** 5 of our police cars received hail damage from the storm on 04/14/2006. I have spoken with Pat and our deductible is \$1000. I will be having each officer take their vehicles in for an estimate, however due to the \$1000 deductible, we may need to wait on fixing the body damage.
- 4. Citizen Police Academy-** The academy began April 10th. Graduation of the first class will be May 16th during the town council meeting.
- 5. BIKE RODEO-** The first annual Pittsboro Police Bicycle Rodeo will be held during the Pittsboro Fire Department's Open House on April 29th from 1-5 PM. Children and Parents will receive bicycle safety information. Children can participate in a bicycle obstacle course and have their bicycles inspected by the firefighters. Hendricks Regional Health will be present to properly fit bicycle helmets and supply bicycle helmets to children without one. Wal-Mart has donated two bicycles to be used as door prizes.
- 6. Flashlight Walks-** See the attached newsletter for dates and times of the flashlight walks. Flashlight walks will consist of police officers parking their cars and walking the sub-divisions and streets. The citizens of Pittsboro are welcome to join the officers on these walks. The first walk will be this Saturday.
- 7. Reward Store-** The Pittsboro Police Department's Reward Store is open. Children "caught" wearing their helmets while bicycling or skateboarding will receive a Pittsboro Police Buck that they can redeem at the reward store.

