

**Earlham Public Safety Committee
September 23, 2020**

The Earlham Public Safety Committee met on Wednesday, September 23, 2020, at Earlham City Hall. Chairperson Payne called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. Present: Payne, Baskin, Swalla. Also present: Clerk Hibbs, and Chief Heimdal.

1. Approve agenda.

Motion by Swalla, second by Baskin, to approve agenda.

Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes.

2. Discussion, and possible recommendation to Council, on Reserve Police Officers for Earlham Police Department

Chief Heimdal introduced Chris Roha, a reserve officer who runs the Stuart Reserve Officer program. He explained what reserve officers do, stating some of them work with police officers and others do not. However, they always have to be able to be in contact by phone with an officer. They have to attend the ILEA (four hours, two nights a week). It is just a shorter version of the police academy. They can do everything an officer does except implied consent. They have to work one 8-hour shift a month.

He owns his own equipment. Some do, and some don't, have their own gear. Some cities do fundraisers for reserve office gear. State mandates that reserve officers are paid at least \$1.00 a year, but some cities pay an hourly rate if doing a entire shift for an officer. City has to pay for training. They typically use a city vehicle. Consensus of committee is to recommend the reserve officer program to the Council.

3. Adjourn

Motion by Swalla, second by Baskin, to adjourn.

Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes

Being there was no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Brant Payne, Chairperson

Attest: _____
Mary Sue Hibbs, Clerk/Treasurer