

## COUNCIL OF THE WHOLE MEETING

Topic: Police Department

June 24, 2024

Council President Thad Eikenbary called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and noted the topic was the police department.

Ringwald, Kallas, Bowers, Agler, Moore, and Marshall were present.

President Eikenbary let Agler lead the way. Agler starts by sharing how cramped and crowded the police station is. He is proposing combining the Sheriff's Department and the Police Department to save costs on things such as heat, rent, equipment and paying dispatchers by having less of them since the departments are combined; therefore, saving on payroll as well. It is something Fort Wayne has recently done.

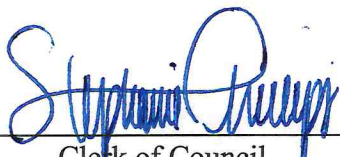
Kallas is questioning how much funds would actually be saved because influx of calls to each department would still be the same regardless.

Marshall is suggesting finding other counties of similar sizes to compare that have done something similar.

The Police Chief states that he has spoken with Sheriff Riegenbach on the topic and neither are interested in entertaining the idea of combining offices/departments. He also shares that the two departments are ran on completely different frequencies and systems. City Cops have computers in their vehicles and deputies do not, as an example, among other systems.

Because the Chief and Sheriff do not show any interest at this time, there was no more discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:09 p.m.



Clerk of Council  
Stephanie R. Phillips



President Pro Tempore  
Thad R. Eikenbary

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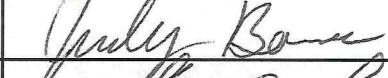
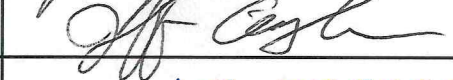
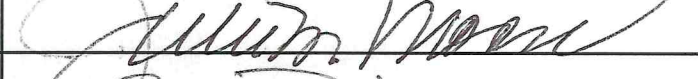
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Bill Marshall	
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Jordan Dettrow	NOT PRESENT
Julie Moore	
Jana Ringwald	