

Board of Police Commission
Regular Meeting
Chairman Paul D. Abercrombie Police Commission
And Training Room 2nd Floor
December 9, 2014
6:30 p.m.

Present: Chairman Joseph F. D'Errico, Commissioners David Monz, Larry Lazaroff, and Walt Spader.

Also present: Chief Thomas McLoughlin, Deputy Chief Jonathan Mulhern

Absent: Commissioner Marc Calafiore

Chairman D'Errico called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Commissioner Monz made a motion to move into executive session for the purpose of interviews. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Spader. All were in favor.

Chairman D'Errico called the meeting to Executive Session at 6:32 p.m.

Interviews were conducted with Anthony Paciolo, Joseph McDonald & Zachary Czaplicki for the open patrol officer position.

Commissioner Lazaroff made the motion to adjourn and move into regular session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Spader. All were in favor.

The time was 7:33 p.m.

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Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

The first order of business was to approve the minutes from the October 28, 2014 meeting Regular and Executive sessions. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Lazaroff . The motion was seconded by Commissioner Monz. All were in favor with the exception of Commissioner Spader who abstained because he was not present at the October 28, 2014 meeting.

Due to lack of quorum, the monthly Board of Police Commission meeting for November 25, 2014 was cancelled.

The next order of business was to approve the monthly reports for October and November 2014. The motion to approve the reports was made by Commissioner Monz; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Spader.

Correspondence:

A letter was received from a resident of Norwich, thanking Officer Costanzo for his help, and compassion regarding an incident she had in North Haven last month.

A letter of was received from North Branford Police Chief Matthew Canelli, thanking Officer Brennan and his K-9 partner "Zeus" for their assistance with several mutual aid calls in the past two months.

A letter of thanks was received from Target Stores loss prevention specialist Kevin Piazcik. Officers, Brennan, Cantele, Rienzo, Spose, Sinanis, Castiglione, Maciog, Falcon and Cormier were all thanked for their assistance throughout the past several months.

A letter was received from Barbara Green of Aces School thanking Officer Cormier for the tour he gave recently to several students from Clintonville School and Fair Haven Schools.

Chairman's Report

Old business: Nothing to report

New business: Chairman D'Errico stated that interviews were conducted earlier this evening during Executive Session with three candidates for the purpose of filling one Patrol Officer position.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to make a conditional offer of employment to Anthony Pacileo. The motion to make a conditional offer to Anthony Pacileo was made by Commissioner Monz, and seconded by commissioner Lazaroff. All were in favor.

Chairman Monz made the motion that should Anthony Paciolo be disqualified during the background and testing process, the Board of Police Commission would then like to extend a conditional offer to Zachary Czaplicki. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Monz. All were in favor.

Chiefs Report

Chief McLoughlin wished Happy Holiday's to all and reminded residents to be mindful while out holiday shopping and to lock their car doors, and not to leave any valuables in plain view.

Chief provided the Board members with a list of dates for the 2015 Board of Police Commission meetings and asked the Board for approval. Commissioner Lazaroff made the motion to accept the dates as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Monz. All were in favor.

Chief McLoughlin stated that the Police Department remains within the budget for this time of year. Chief has submitted the 2015-2016 budget to the Board of Finance for consideration. He asked to Board if they would like a copy of it, and the Board agreed. Each member will be forwarded a copy of the proposed budget for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. Chief said that the budget workshop will be held on Wednesday, February 18, 2015 at 8:30 for the final approval.

Support Services/Traffic

The Spring Road bridge project is ahead of schedule and was paved yesterday. It is expected to be opened within the next month.

The line painting has been completed on Temple Street, Universal Drive North and Hartford Turnpike.

Chief said that per the request made by the Board of Police Commissioners, the line painting item has been removed from the Police Department Budget and will now be part of the Department of Public Works Budget.

Chief reported that one police road job cruiser was involved in a motor vehicle accident at State and Broadway, where an offending vehicle failed to stop at a stop sign causing damage to the cruiser. There were no injuries. The repairs will be covered through the insurance carrier of the offending vehicle.

Chief reported a second cruiser was involved in a minor accident with a deer on Sackett Point Road. Minor damage was reported to the push bumper.

Training

Officer Marcus Artaiz has completed his field training and is currently patrolling on his own now.

Recruit Jonathan Dahlstrom has done well at the academy, and will be graduating on December 18, 2014.

Patrol

Calls for service are still on the rise. The recent motor vehicle thefts in town seem to have receded somewhat.

Investigative Services

Lt. Kevin Glenn has provided a very detailed monthly report. The division has had a very busy month. The ISD recently had two successful narcotic arrests with the help of Officer Cantele and his K-9 "Koda".

Berniere Scholarship

A request was made by Sergeant Joseph Woznyk for consideration for one college course recently completed. Chief asked the Board for a motion to approve the request. The motion to approve the request for one scholarship was made by Commissioner Lazaroff, and seconded by Commissioner Spader. All were in favor.

Other Miscellaneous Business:

Lt. Kevin Glenn has just completed a six day session titled "Leadership and Decision Making in a Government Position" at the Kennedy Harvard school in Cambridge Mass. This course was attended by several government officials from all over the world. This course was of no cost to the Town, and was paid for with asset forfeiture funds.

Chief thanked Officer Queiroga for participating in an upcoming event through the REACH foundation called, "Shop with a Cop". Several underprivileged children throughout Connecticut are given the opportunity to shop for a gift for themselves, as well as a friend or family member being accompanied by a participating police officer. Target Stores is one of the main sponsors for this event.

Officer Mike Dicocco had been assigned as the SRO, replacing Officer John Norden who recently resigned. Officer Dicoccos patrol position has been replaced by a transfer from the Investigative Services Division.

The three part time dispatchers have all completed their training, and are working now. Chief said the dispatchers are all certified tele communicators, and are doing a great job.

Building Update

The ceiling tile replacement has been completed.

Chief said that the elevator smoke alarms need to be inspected by the State, and he is awaiting confirmation of the scheduled date of inspection.

Sick and Injured: None to report.

Grievances: One grievance for discussion in executive session.

With nothing more to report, Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to adjourn to return to executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

The motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Lazaroff, and seconded by Commissioner Spader. All were in favor.

The time was 7:52 p.m.

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Also present: Chief Thomas McLoughlin, Deputy Chief Jonathan Mulhern

Absent: Commissioner's Marc Calafiore, and Walt Spader

Personnel matters were discussed.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Lazaroff made the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Monz. All were in favor.

The time was 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas McLoughlin
Chief of Police