

Board of Police Commission
Regular Meeting
Chairman Paul D. Abercrombie Police Commission
And Training Room 2nd Floor
May 26, 2015
7:00 p.m.

Chairman D'Errico called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Chairman Joseph F. D'Errico, Commissioners Larry Lazaroff, Marc Calafiore, and Walt Spader, Chief Thomas McLoughlin, Deputy Chief Jon Mulhern

Absent: All were present

The first order of business was the approval of the minutes from the April 28, 2015 meeting Regular and Executive sessions. Commissioner Lazaroff made the motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Calafiore seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to approve the monthly reports for April 2015. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Monz; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Calafiore. There was no further discussion. All were in favor.

Correspondence

A letter of thanks was received from Charles Sherwood; Director of the South Central Criminal Justice Division thanking Detective Matt Falcon for his recent help serving on the panel for oral board testing.

Chairman's Report

Old business:

Chairman D'Errico asked Commissioner Lazaroff for a status report on the newly formed subcommittee to revitalize the DARE/drug program. Lazaroff stated they plan to have four to five sessions a year bringing in guest speakers to deal with today's topics and they hope to have the program in place for the next school year. The next meeting is June 2nd, 2015.

New Business:

Chairman D'Errico asked Chief McLoughlin to comment on the recent budget referendum being voted down. Chief said as a result of the budget referendum being rejected, the department had to forfeit the window project for the next fiscal year, as well as the concrete repairs to the front steps at Police headquarters.

Chiefs Report:

Walter T. Berniere Scholarship:

Chief asked the Board to approve the request for reimbursement for one undergraduate class to Sergeant Joseph Woznyk. Commissioner Lazaroff made the motion to reimburse Sgt. Woznyk for one undergraduate course. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Monz. All were in favor.

Regarding the budget, Chief said we are in the countdown to the end of the fiscal year, and he is fairly certain that the department will come in under budget. Chief said as a result of the budget referendum being rejected, the Department had to forfeit the window project for the next fiscal year, as well as the concrete repairs to the front steps at Police headquarters.

Support Services/ Traffic

Chief said that the “Blind Person Area” sign on Nettleton Avenue and the “No Parking” signs on North Frontage road that were approved last month have been posted.

Regarding the Buell Street signage, Chief reached out to COG however their programs are tied up until June 30, 2016 so they won't be able to help us. Chief then turned to VN Engineering who is a vendor for the State of CT. Through them, Chief learned of a grant called “SRTS” (Safe Routes to School) that would allow the traffic study to be done at no cost to the Police Department or the town. Chief has submitted the application, and the ball is now in the court of the Board of Education, and VN Engineering.

Wendy Marinelli of 132 Buell Street presented the Board with two letters from neighbors who are also opposed to the crosswalk station in front of her home. Ms. Marinelli asked the Board for alternative signage. She suggested perhaps placing a permanent sign between her property and her next door neighbor's property. She also mentioned that a neighbor across the street approves the placement of a sign on her property. Chief stated he would reach out to the Board as soon as the survey is completed and the Board will advise Ms. Marinelli of the outcome.

Training:

Recruit Pacileo will graduate on June 16th from the Police Academy and he should be patrolling by himself in mid September.

Background investigations have been started on the two candidates that were given conditional offers of employment.

Chief congratulated Officers John Gaspar and Mike DiCocco who were recently recognized by MADD for their enforcement efforts regarding DUI enforcement.

Investigative Services Division

Lieutenant Glenn has provided a very detailed report. Once again the Investigative Services had a busy month.

Building Updates

The fencing project to the impound lot has not been completed yet, as Chief is waiting for one last quote for asphalt placement. Chief said the range remediation project is still in place as a LoCIP (Local Capital Improvement Plan) grant will cover the cost. This project will be of no cost the town or the Department. There are some electrical issues with the hanging lights in the front of Police Headquarters that need to be addressed.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to adjourn for the purpose of moving in to Executive session to discuss personnel matters. The motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Spader. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Calafiore. No further discussion. All were in favor. The time was 7:29p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Police Commission
Executive Session
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Chairman D'Errico called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

Present: Chairman Joseph F. D'Errico, Commissioners Larry Lazaroff, Marc Calafiore, and Walt Spader, Chief Thomas McLoughlin, Deputy Chief Jon Mulhern

Absent: All were present

Personnel matters were discussed.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was made by commissioner Lazaroff. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Monz. All were in favor.

The time was 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas J. McLoughlin
Chief of Police