



TOWN OF MIDDLEBURY

POLICE COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes MEETING OF THE POLICE COMMISSION Monday, May 13, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Rita Smith
Commissioner Paul Bowler
Commissioner Fran Barton

Also Present: Chief Patrick Deely
James M. Long, Recording Clerk
Bob Smith, Town Attorney

Excused Chairman George Moreira
Absence: Commissioner Tom King

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Commissioner Paul Bowler leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of April 8, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Smith MOTIONED to approve the minutes, SECONDED by Commissioner Barton. Unanimous approval.

Committee Reports:

Building & Equipment:

Commissioner Bowler reported that the evidence room/juvenile rooms are out to bid. There will be a legal notice in the paper for June 14, 2024.

Budget and Overtime:

Commissioner Smith reported that there are issues with two-line items pertaining to training. Line item 6009 (Personnel Training Hours) and line item 6122 (Personnel Training). It looks like we will be over budget on one line item and under with the other. This will wash out. Line Item 6182 (Computer Equipment Maintenance/Nexgen) will be over by \$170.00 due to not being billed last year and twice this year for RMS/NETMOTION. The revised budget has \$3,000.00 removed from the Information Technology (IT) line item (6973) for REKOR and Information Technology.

Personnel & Labor:

Not present.

Rules & Regulations:

Commissioner Barton reported that Accreditation Manager Amy Von Culin has been working on policies to reflect Chief Deely in place of Chief Dabbo. Also, Amy Von Culin has been working on a new Transgender Policy. Commissioner Barton reports that Tier 2 proofs are ongoing, reviewing Town Policies with regards to the Finance Department, outside agencies, and financial record keeping. Commissioner Barton reported that Amy Von Culin completed Connecticut Record Management Training.

Old Business:

1. DOT OSTA Traffic Investigation Report # 174-2403-01.

New Business:

Chairman's Report:

No Report.

Chief's Report:

1. The Department held Range Qualifications for issued sidearms and shotgun. The Range time and date was April 16 & 19, 2024.
2. On April 19, 2024 Range Officers Guerrero, Guisto, and Pelletier noticed that several of the department issued firearms (Sig Saur P320 9mm) were having issues with the Winchester duty and practice ammunition. This ammunition was manufactured in 2021 and 2022 during the COVID 19 Pandemic. Officer Guerrero and Long returned nine (9) cases of duty ammunition and two cases of practice ammunition. Winchester took back all ammunition at no cost to the department. The ammunition was picked up by UPS on April 24, 2024. All Officers switched their duty ammunition for ammunition that was manufactured in 2023 and 2024. Also, Officer Guisto switched to a new vender (Federal) in the future. I placed a new order for Federal 124 grain 9mm Hydra-Shok Premium Hollow Point for 4000 rounds. Thus far, two cases of Winchester ammunition were replaced by the manufacturer.
3. DOT OSTA Traffic Investigation Report dated April 19, 2024 from Joseph Ouellette for Route 63 (Straits Turnpike)

4. Naugatuck Police Chief Colin McAllister sent a letter commending Lieutenant Ron Hunt, Officer Fred DuVerger, and Giovanni Guerrera for an incident on April 19, 2024.
5. As of May 3, 2024 Officer Guisto reported that six full time Officers have completed the POSTC qualification course for the new Short Barrell Suppressed, SBR M-4 Patrol Rifle, 5.56 mm. Officer Guisto reported that Patrol Rifle Course is a two-day course. The remaining full-time officers are scheduled for the month of June, subject to range availability in Southbury.
6. We received a letter from a resident, Daryl Masone commending Officer Dan Gillotti on April 17, 2024 for a motor vehicle assist.
7. Received an email from Dr. Michael Simms regarding motor vehicle traffic safety along Whittenmore Road between Pies and Pubs and the Library. Dr. Michael Simms concerns were appreciated. A review of Police Motor Vehicle enforcement along this road, which were addressing his concerns shows a level of over fifty (50) motor vehicle stops in this specific area. These motor vehicle stops were conducted in the very recent past with continued enforcement.
8. The Chief received a complaint regarding the water company property on Christian Road. The Chief would like to block access to this property using Jersey Barriers and a cement block with a chain to limit vehicle access.

Public Comment:

None.

Adjournment

Commissioner Barton MOTIONED to ADJOURN the meeting at 6:21 PM, SECONDED by Commissioner Smith. Unanimous approval

Next meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

These minutes are submitted subject to approval.

Respectfully,
James M. Long, Recording Clerk

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