

TOWN OF MIDDLEBURY

POLICE COMMISSION

MINUTES MEETING OF THE POLICE COMMISSION Monday, January 9, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman George Moreira

Commissioner Paul Bowler

Commissioner Fran Barton

Also Chief Patrick Deely

Present: Attorney Robert Smith

Joseph Von Culin, Recording Clerk

Marjorie Needham, Bee-Intelligencer

Excused

Absence: Commissioner Frank Cipriano

Commissioner Tom King

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Chairman Moreira leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of December 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes

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

Committee Reports

Building & Equipment

No report

Budget and Overtime

Commissioner Bowler defers time to the chief's report.

Personnel & Labor

No report.

Rules & Regulations

Commissioner Barton asked how the department updates the rules and regulations. Chief Deely stated that everything is through PowerDMS and whenever there is a state mandate, the PD creates a new policy and uploads it to PowerDMS, so that the officers can begin training immediately. Since the PD is already ahead, all new policies are immediately uploaded and cycled through the training process. Each officer will receive an email to complete their training, ensuring that there is accountability and creates a more professional environment.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Chairman's Report

Chairman Moreira defers the chairman's report to the chief's report.

Chief's Report

- We are currently in the middle of budget season.
- The Rekor cameras provide another set of eyes for the officers.
 - The benefit of having the cameras helps a small department like Middlebury tremendously because it sends a message to the officer's phone and to dispatch so they can respond to stolen vehicles quicker.
 - An example of this was New Haven PD put out a BOLO connected to a homicide and one of the Rekor cameras caught the car involved with the plate, time, and direction of travel. The Middlebury PD was able to notify a neighboring department and they were able to locate the vehicle shortly after.
- We received the Thomaston Savings Grant.
 - Sergeant Kalvaitis is participating in a CIT Training course because of the grant.
 - We plan to send him out to Arizona to continue his training to become an instructor, to teach the remainder of the department.
- We made contact with our DEA representative and the asset forfeiture is in progress still.
- The Toy Drive was a huge success with donations including \$1200 cash, toys, and 3 hams.
- Commissioner Cipriano is home.
- We completed our annual report for the 2021-2022 year.
- We had a couple officers attend the planning and zoning meeting on January 5th.
 - They assisted with parking and making sure everyone could safely arrive and leave the meeting since many residents attended.
 - Since there is a lot of interest in the February meeting, we plan to do something similar, since we want to ensure everyone's safety while attending the meeting.
- Commissioner Barton asked what Chief Deely's feelings were on the proposed project. Chief Deely responded with he wanted to see the results of the studies conducted by the state pertaining to the road quality, traffic flow, and any other information before forming an opinion.

Public Comment

None

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Adjournment

Commissioner Bowler MOTIONED to ADJOURN the meeting at 6:12pm, SECONDED by Commissioner Barton. Unanimous approval

Next meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2023 at 6:12pm.

These minutes are submitted subject to approval.

Respectfully, Joe Von Culin, Recording Clerk