



# TOWN OF MIDDLEBURY

## *POLICE COMMISSION*

### MINUTES MEETING OF THE POLICE COMMISSION Monday, March 13, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

**Present:** Commissioner Paul Bowler  
Commissioner Fran Barton  
Commissioner Tom King

**Also Present:** Chief Patrick Deely  
Attorney Robert Smith  
Joseph Von Culin, Recording Clerk

**Excused  
Absence:** Commissioner Frank Cipriano  
Chairman George Moreira

#### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:04pm by Commissioner Bowler leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Approval of January 9, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

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

#### **Committee Reports**

##### **Building & Equipment**

No report

##### **Budget and Overtime**

Commissioner Bowler defers time to the chief's report.

##### **Personnel & Labor**

Commissioner King defers time to the chief's report.

##### **Rules & Regulations**

Commissioner Barton defers time to the chief's report.

#### **Old Business**

None

#### **New Business**

None

#### **Chairman's Report**

Commissioner Bowler defers the chairman's report to the chief's report.

### **Chief's Report**

- We tested out the long guns.
  - It is believed that the Town will buy half and a donor will buy the remainder of the equipment.
- We are looking into new body armor plates for the officers.
  - A donor provided the necessary funds to purchase the body armor plates.
- Due to the letter to the editor about the way private duty is administered I thought it would be a good idea to go over with the Commission how we operate.
  - The town is in control of how private duty is administered, and because of this our process is more systematic and fairer. Essentially, there is a call binder with each officer's name. Once an officer is called and accepts a private duty job they are then sent to the back of the binder creating more of an equal opportunity to receive a road job for all MPD officers. It is to be noted that this new process eliminates the need to fill private duty on overtime.
  - Attorney Smith agreed with the synopsis of how private duty is administered and elaborated that this was negotiated in the previous contract, so that we can eliminate what happened due to the former Middlebury officers.
- We are in good shape for this fiscal year, budget wise. We should come in right on the mark.

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Adjournment**

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

Next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2023 at 6:00pm.

These minutes are submitted subject to approval.

Respectfully,  
Joe Von Culin, Recording Clerk