

**TOWN OF MIDDLEBURY** *POLICE COMMISSION* 

#### MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING OF THE POLICE COMMISSION Monday, April 19, 2021 – 6:00 p.m. Via Video Conference

Present: Chairman George Moreira Commissioner Fran Barton Commissioner Paul Bowler Also Chief Fran Dabbo Present: Attorney Robert Smith Amy Von Culin, Recording Clerk Jose Agosto

ExcusedTom KingAbsence:Frank Cipriano

# Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm by Chairman Moreira leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

# Approval of February 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes

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

# **Committee Reports**

Building & Equipment No report

# **Budget and Overtime**

Chief Dabbo reported the 2021-22 budget was presented at the February 24<sup>th</sup> Board of Finance meeting. Reductions were made in vacation, power and control, and gasoline line items.

#### Personnel & Labor

Chief Dabbo introduced Jose Agosto to the Commission. Jose is a Middlebury resident and Danbury Police Officer. He anticipates retiring from Danbury Police over the next few months and hopes to join the Middlebury Police as a Part Time officer.

#### **Rules & Regulations**

Commission Barton reported the police book is almost complete. Some policies have been sent to Northwest Communications to verify certain communications/dispatch procedures.

# Old Business

None

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#### New Business

Chairman Moreira shared with the commission a letter he received from Middlebury Resident Stephanie Devino. Ms. Devino wrote she is concerned with vehicles speeding on Gleneagle and Three Mile Hill Roads. Chief Dabbo will be placing the speed trailer in the area as well as asking officers to increase patrols. Chairman Moreira will follow up with a letter to Ms. Devino.

#### Chairman's Report

None

# Chief's Report

- A. Department budget was presented to the Board of Finance on February 24<sup>th</sup>.
- B. Axon was selected as the vendor to equip the department with dash and body cameras for officers and patrol cars. It is a package deal that included iCloud storage. A 10% discount was included with the signing package.
- C. The toilets in the cell blocks were replaced.
- D. Vehicles #7 & #8 were taken out of service and are being auctioned through GOVDEALS.com. Car 14 has become the new Animal Control vehicle. The police motorcycle brought \$7200 at auction.
- E. Police, Fire, Public Works and Parks and Recreation held a food drive on March 27<sup>th</sup> to benefit the Middlebury Food Bank. 5,960 pounds of food was collected and \$970. Bozzuto's Hometown Foundation, Napoli Foods, Four Corners and Stop Shop all donated along with Middlebury Residents.
- F. Speed Trailer was placed on Watertown Road April 8<sup>th</sup>.

# Public Comment-None

# Adjournment

Commissioner Bowler MOTIONED to ADJOURN the meeting at 6:26pm, SECONDED by Commissioner Barton. Unanimous approval

Next meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2021 at 6:00pm.

These minutes are submitted subject to approval. Respectfully, Amy Von Culin, Recording Clerk