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**POLICE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
17 APRIL 2017**

**NOTE: THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND APPROVAL AT
A FUTURE MEETING OF THE POLICE COMMISSION**

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Chairman Don Sauvigne called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. In attendance were Commissioner David Waters, Commissioner Matt Mason, Chief John Lynch, Captain Thomas Conlan and Captain Robert Cipolla.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public present at the meeting and no public comment was received.

MINUTES

Commissioner Sauvigne made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2017 regular meeting and the March 20, 2017 special meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mason. Motion carried 3-0.

DISCUSSION OF MONTHLY REPORTS

Monthly reports were reviewed and discussed. The Commission noted that the number of MV Stops was slightly lower in March than it had been in the prior two years for the same period but was still consistent with historic numbers for the same period overall.

The Activity Report for March was reviewed. The Commission noted that the level of activity was consistent and there were no areas of significance. The Detective Bureau report for March demonstrated a high level of activity including fingerprinting which is customary at this time of year.

The MAC Report for March was reviewed. The Commissioners expressed satisfaction that the MAC Officer was able to devote substantial time to this position in March.

The SRO Report for March was reviewed. The Commission expressed satisfaction with the reported activity, including participation in a significant number of classes at the schools.

The Overtime Report for March was reviewed. The Commission was extremely pleased with the significant reduction in overtime hours over those reported for prior years during this time period, and the overall reduction in overtime for the fiscal year to date.

The Accreditation Report for March was reviewed. Chief Lynch informed the Commission that because of budgetary issues at the state level the Department may not be able to rely upon the support of the state in completing the accreditation process as quickly as hoped, but the Department is focused on maintaining the proposed schedule.

The K9 Report for March was reviewed. The Commission noted that it had been a quiet month but that K9 Baso had still been active in community policing.

REPORT OF CHIEF LYNCH

Chief Lynch expressed gratitude for the letters of thanks, the donations of food and the funds received for the K9 Fund, which the Commission reviewed. The Commission reviewed the final test scores of Officer Sean Baranowski at POST.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Request for Updated Concurrence Letter from Tighe & Bond

Chief Lynch informed the Commission that a further request had been made to the Commission, acting as the local traffic authority, for an updated concurrence letter based upon changes in site development plans with respect to the redevelopment of property located at 241 Danbury Road, for which a prior determination had been provided by the Commission of no impact. Commissioner Waters made a motion to authorize Chief Lynch to issue an updated concurrence letter confirming no change in impact. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sauvigne. Motion carried 2-0 (Commissioner Mason recused himself and did not participate in the discussion or vote).

B. Update on NRVt Crosswalk and Trail Markings

Chief Lynch reported that the state is seeking to have the NRVt assume the cost of all crossing improvements. The Department is discussing a possible method of identifying segments of the trail by color or otherwise so that if someone is in need of assistance while on the trail they will be able to identify where they are when they call for help. This will become more important as the trail system extends further throughout town.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Facilities Open House – Tours

Chief Lynch reported that he has been working with First Selectman Vanderslice to provide information as to the need for updated police facilities, and the Department will be hosting open house tours for the public and interested persons so that the current condition of the building can be understood in advance of the Town Meeting. The Commission discussed ways that this could be enhanced so that the public could be informed and make their own determination as to the needs of the Department.

REPORTS OF THE COMMISSIONERS

There were no reports from the Commissioners.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public present at the meeting and no public comment was received.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:02 p.m. the meeting went into Executive Session for an update on union contract negotiations and to discuss future promotions. The Commission invited Chief Lynch, Captain Conlan and Captain Cipolla to participate in the executive session. At 8:43 p.m. the Commission came out of Executive Session. No action was taken in the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:43 p.m., a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Waters seconded by Commissioner Sauvigne and passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

David F. Waters, Acting Recording Secretary

