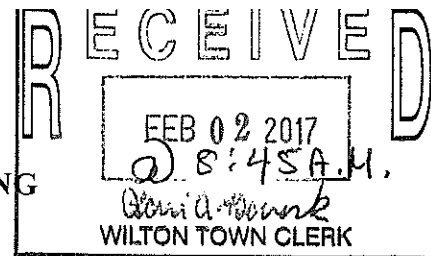


POLICE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

January 9, 2017



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

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The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm. In attendance were Commissioners Sauvigne, Waters, and Mason, Chief Crosby, and Captains Lynch and Conlan.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

MINUTES

Commissioner Mason made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2016 regular meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Walter and approved 3-0.

DISCUSSION OF MONTHLY REPORTS

The monthly reports were all reviewed and considered.

A. Activity Report

MV stops continue to be at high levels primarily due to full staffing. While the WPD generally has high number of stops, it has relatively low actual enforcement action (tickets, etc.); this results in a positive experience between the officer and the citizen, which the PD believes is a positive learning experience for the citizen.

Narcotics incidents are high relative to prior years; this is attributable to a full complement of patrol officers and the K-9 Unit, as the majority of incidents arise from traffic stops on Route 7.

B. Detective Bureau

There was nothing unusual in the DB Report.

C. MAC Report

Officer Tyler performed normal MAC tasks. Four traffic areas were targeted this month; 144 DeForest Road, 208 Sharp Hill Road, 84 Old Highway, and Grumman Hill/Dogwood Lane.

12 warnings were issued.

In 2016 the PD responded to 41 specific traffic complaints resulting in 200 selective enforcement assignments, resulting in 3 misdemeanors, 28 infractions and 211 warnings.

The WPD has taken advantage of grants to fund DUI and other enforcement activities.

There were numerous community police activities in 2016 including:

- Shop with a Cop
- Stuff-a-Cruiser
- Coffee with a Cop
- Stroll with Patrol
- Domestic Violence Spinning / Zumba Fundraiser
- Tip-a-Cop
- Torch Run
- Random Acts of Kindness
- CARE
- Safety Day at Louis Dreyfus
- Citizen's Police Academy
- Zion Hill Family Fun Day
- 22-push up Challenge for Veteran Suicide Awareness
- Wilton Street Fair K-9 Baso Introduction
- Open House for Children with Special Needs

The Commission and the WPD remain strongly committed to community policing.

D. School Resource Officer

Nothing unusual to report.

E. Overtime Report

Overtime numbers are substantially lower than in prior years even with OT resulting from a SEU grant (which covers 75% of the costs). The Chief and the Commission believe the lower OT costs are attributable to careful managing of OT and being at a full complement of patrol officers.

F. Accreditation Report

Process still ongoing.

G. K-9 Report.

Report reviewed and discussed.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF.

The Chief noted that a large number of officers are pursuing their master's degrees. This is a real positive for the Town, but also comes with a monetary cost.

The Chief also noted the large number of food and monetary donations to the PD in December.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

The Commission, acting as the local traffic authority, discussed a Traffic Study done at Old Ridgefield Road – Godfrey Place and 21 River Road.

The Commission voted 3-0 to accept the Chief's recommendation for placement of three (3) pedestrian crossing signs and a downward arrow to be installed at the requested locations.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS.

Commissioner Waters reported that he has been appointed to the Police Facilities Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:46 pm the Commission and Chief Crosby went into executive session to discuss future hiring/staffing/rotation.

At 9:11 pm the Commission came out of executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:12 pm the, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioners Waters, passed 3 -0. No action was taken in the Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew C. Mason, Acting Secretary