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**POLICE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
11 DECEMBER 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 7:05 p.m. In attendance were Commissioner David Waters, Commissioner Matt Mason, Captain Thomas Conlan and Captain Robert Cipolla.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

MINUTES

Commissioner Sauvigne made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2017 special meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Waters. Motion carried 3-0.

DISCUSSION OF MONTHLY REPORTS

Monthly reports were reviewed and discussed. The Commission noted that the number of MV Stops is at an acceptable level.

The Activity Report for November was reviewed. The Commission noted that all activities are consistent with prior years. The Detective Bureau report for November was satisfactory.

The MAC Report for November was reviewed. The Commission noted four new requested traffic studies. The Commission expressed approval of the effort to educate and enforce handicap parking restrictions, and noted that any right of private persons to

issue citations would require action by the state Legislature. The Commission was pleased with the level of community outreach that the Department is undertaking.

The SRO Report for November was reviewed. The Department will revisit the Explorer program in January.

The Overtime Report for November was reviewed. The Commission noted that the OT hours are somewhat elevated over last year, but some of that is offset by SEU grants.

There was no Accreditation Report for November.

The K9 Report for November was reviewed. The Commission expressed satisfaction with the K9 activity and noted the assistance given to the Stratford schools.

REPORT OF CHIEF LYNCH

In the absence of Chief Lynch, Captain Conlan expressed gratitude for the letters of thanks, the donations of food and the funds received, which the Commission reviewed. Captain Conlan reported that the State Bonding Commission has approved funding of the body cameras for Wilton, and that the camera system the Department selected is working well. First Selectwoman Vanderslice will be writing an article on Town buildings which will recognize the needed upgrades to the Police Department.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Building Committee Update

Commissioner Waters reported that the Police Department-Town Campus Facility Committee had updated the BOS on their efforts, at a meeting which all of the Commissioners had attended, and is continuing its review of the Town Campus. The Committee is preparing a website with relevant information and will be providing alternative designs for the BOS to consider.

B. Budget Update and Staffing

Chief Lynch attended a BOS meeting, which the Commissioners also attended, and presented information on Department staffing levels.

C. Dispatch Update

Captain Conlan reported that representatives of the Department met with representatives of the Fire Department to discuss perceived operational issues. It was determined that these are predominantly a NexGen software issue and NexGen is being asked to address the concerns.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Sign Request at Hurlbutt/Cannon Road Intersection

The Commission reviewed the analysis prepared by Lieutenant Hartman. The Commission noted that removal of the island at the intersection of Hurlbutt Street and Cannon Road created the need for additional signage and possibly lane markings. Commissioner Waters made a motion to support the recommendation of Lieutenant Hartman to install a new stop sign, T intersection warning sign and two-direction arrow sign at this location. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mason and carried 3-0. A reevaluation of the signage and road markings will occur in the Spring.

B. Sign Request at Horseshoe Road

The Commission reviewed the analysis prepared by Lieutenant Hartman. The Commission noted that the Connecticut Institute for Traffic Safety recommends posted speed signage in these circumstances. Commissioner Waters made a motion to support the recommendation of Lieutenant Hartman to install two new speed signs at this location. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sauvigne and carried 3-0.

REPORTS OF THE COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Waters inquired as to the recent motorcycle accident at the intersection of Danbury Road and Catalpa Road. Captain Cipolla reported that the accident was not attributable to the intersection. CTDOT does not recommend further speed reduction in this location and has determined that the sight lines are acceptable. Because Danbury Road is a state road, CTDOT has jurisdiction over this intersection.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:45 p.m., a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Mason seconded by Commissioner Waters and passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,
David F. Waters, Acting Recording Secretary

