

Wilton Police Commission



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POLICE COMMISSION MEETING
11 OCTOBER 2011

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Vice Chairman Matt Mason called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. In attendance were Commissioner David Waters, Chairman Chris Weldon (arrived 7:15 p.m.), Chief Michael Lombardo, Deputy Chief Robert Crosby, Sarah Taffel (arrived for Executive Session) and Claire Furano.

MINUTES

Commissioner David Waters made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2011 meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Matt Mason. Motion carried 2-0.

DISCUSSION OF MONTHLY REPORTS

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and it was pointed out that the number of Domestic Violence incidents through September 2011 (118) has surpassed the number of incidents for the entire year 2010 (116). The police department has two officers who are assigned to the Domestic Violence Task Force. These officers work closely with social groups to educate the public.

The number of DUI stops through September of this year is consistent with the same time period in 2010. Six arrests were made during the DUI roadblock and one DUI arrest was made by patrol. EMS Assists is up slightly in September 2011 over September 2010. The traffic enforcement numbers are up and this can be attributed to the patrol division and staff maintaining consistent traffic control enforcement.

The MAC Report was reviewed and discussed. Vice Chairman Mason suggested cataloguing resident complaints and locations. Consistent police presence is essential for traffic enforcement to ensure public safety.

REPORT OF CHIEF LOMBARDO

Various letters of thanks and jobs well done were reviewed, including several pertaining to the responsiveness of the department during the aftermath of the storm.

The public meeting on September 26th with CL&P to discuss the aftermath of the storm was attended by about eight to twelve residents. There were requests from the public for tree removal and underground wires. Items to make the EOC run more efficiently are being looked into. With no electricity and no access to computers, signage and central focal points at public locations where anyone can go to acquire information, is being addressed.

OLD BUSINESS

Solar Sign Placement on School Road

After reviewing the analysis of the numeric results, Chairman Weldon made a motion to accept Chief Lombardo's recommendation on the placement of the fixed solar radar sign on the east bound, downhill side of School Road. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Mason and passed 3-0.

Chairman Weldon suggested the placement of a flashing yellow light, to alert passing motorists of the school zone on School Road. Chief Lombardo will have Lt. Steve Brennan analyze this suggestion.

Alcohol Ordinance

The Alcohol Ordinance was discussed. Chief Lombardo will speak with Town Counsel Ken Bernhard about the concerns of the Commission with regard to the public use of alcohol on town owned property, in particular Merwin Meadows.

NEW BUSINESS

Police Commission 2012 Meeting Schedule

Commissioner Waters made a motion to approve the 2012 meeting schedule, which was seconded by Chairman Weldon and passed 3-0.

REPORTS OF THE COMMISSIONERS

There were no reports from the Commissioners.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:40 p.m. the meeting went into Executive Session to discuss ongoing Labor Negotiation Issues. No action was taken in the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:28 p.m. the Commission came out of Executive Session and a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Waters and passed 3-0.

Respectively submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Furano", written in dark ink.

Claire Furano
Recording Secretary