

Wilton Police Commission



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POLICE COMMISSION MEETING

10 May 2010

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Commissioner Matt Mason called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Mark Ketley, Chief Michael Lombardo and Claire Furano. Sarah Taffel joined the meeting for the Executive Session.

MINUTES

A motion made by Commissioner Ketley was seconded by Commissioner Mason to approve the Minutes of the April 12, 2010 Regular Meeting and the April 26, 2010 Special Meeting. So moved 2-0.

DISUCSSION OF MONTHLY REPORTS

The Commission reviewed, discussed and accepted the monthly reports.

Chief Lombardo pointed out that the number of *MV Stops* for the month of April has decreased significantly from April 2009 and is in line with the previous year, April 2008. The Detective Bureau continues to work on the mail theft case. The number of *EMS* calls has dropped about 10% from this time last year. Chief Lombardo attributes the drop in *MVAs* to the completion of the Route 7 expansion, eliminating the bumper to bumper traffic. The number of *MVAs/Injuries* is up slightly. The number of *Domestic Violence* incidents is down for the first quarter of 2010. The quarterly Domestic Violence report done by Lt. Stephen Brennan was reviewed. Lt. Brennan is on the Domestic Violence Task Force. The above statistics will continue to be closely monitored.

REPORT OF CHIEF MICHAEL LOMBARDO

The Chief reported about the past month's activities as follows:

- Letter of appreciation from Mrs. Valery Daly praising Lt. Stephen Brennan, Officer Eva Zimnoch, Sgt. Thomas Tunney and Captain John Lynch, along with Officers Robert Smaldone, Anthony Cocco and Gregg Phillipson for their assistance and care while responding to a car accident her daughter was involved in.
- Note from the Zinicola and Todd families for police assistance during funeral services.
- Letter from the American Red Cross thanking Chief Michael Lombardo for donation at the Celebration of Heroes for Lower Fairfield County breakfast.
- Note of appreciation for assistance from the Mason family.
- Letter from Suzanne Gabriele for the concern and efforts extended by Officer Eva Zimnoch in the case involving Greg Gabriele.
- Email from Lisa Skelly (Special Agent FBI) informing Chief Lombardo that Scott Sear was instrumental in providing assistance in the Times Square Command Post over the past several days and also praising Scott's work ethics.
- Trainee Performance Report of Recruit Anna Tornello. Her class rank for the first quarter marking period is 1/47.
- Memo of congratulations to Officer Richard Muth on successful completion of the 2010 Fairfield County Detective Conference, from Chief Lombardo.

OLD BUSINESS

There have been no complaints about the Old Ridgefield Road/Ridgefield intersection since improvements have been made by the State in response to issues raised by the Commission and the Department.

Route 53 and Cedar Road is being reviewed by the State.

Chief Lombardo noted that Colleen Fawcett and Allyson Cussin (Youth Services) attended the most recent staff meeting.

Two officers interviewed for the open position in the Police Explorers. One officer withdrew.

Chief Lombardo will speak with First Selectman Bill Brennan and Tom Thurkettle (DPW) about the Kiwanis request to place additional signs on existing street signs, at the upcoming Operations Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. There was a discussion on CTIC (Connecticut Intelligence Center) in which one of our detectives holds a position. There is some confusion at the State level as to whether subordinates to State employees should be deputized and allotted a vehicle.
- B. Placement of a cyclist sign on Lilly Way was discussed.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT


The Commission had nothing to report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:49 p.m., the meeting adjourned to the Executive Session to discuss personnel issues involving Officer Lund, who had been given notice of the meeting but elected not to attend. At 8:50 p.m., the Commission came out of Executive Session without any action having been taken by the Commission.

At 8:50 p.m., Commissioner Ketley motioned to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Commissioner Mason and passed 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,


Claire Furano
Recording Secretary