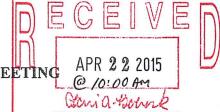
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POLICE COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING 16 MARCH 2015

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Chairman Chris Weldon called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. In attendance were Commissioner David Waters, Commissioner Donald Sauvigne (by telephone), Interim Chief Robert Crosby, Captain John Lynch and Tom Evans (Wilton Villager).

MINUTES

Commissioner Waters made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2015 regular meeting, the February 17, 2015 special meeting, the March 4, 2015 special meeting and the March 5, 2015 special meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sauvigne. Motion carried 3-0.

DISCUSSION OF MONTHLY REPORTS

Monthly reports were reviewed and discussed. The Commissioners noted that the number of MV Stops in February was slightly higher than the same month in 2014, but it is low due to the number of snowstorms in February and the lack of safe locations to pull vehicles over.

The Activity Report for January was reviewed. There were no reporting concerns. The Commissioners noted that the number of EMS assists was higher than the same month the prior year, but consistent with historic levels.

The MAC Report for January was reviewed. There were no reporting concerns. The Commissioners noted that, based on a civilian complaint, selective enforcement at the River Road/Ogden House driveway resulted in thirteen violations for failure to obey the stop sign.

The SRO Report for January was reviewed. The Commission expressed satisfaction with the report. Interim Chief Crosby reported that he had asked Captain Lynch to head a committee to create emergency plans at each of the schools to anticipate staging, child

security, etc. in the event of an incident at any of the schools. The state is also preparing a "Blue Plan" to ensure that if an incident occurs in a municipality the mutual assistance from other municipalities will be coordinated. Interim Chief Crosby reported that during the summer months when school is not in session Officer MacLean will assist with Parks and Recreation camps.

REPORT OF INTERIM CHIEF CROSBY

Letters of thanks and jobs well done and other miscellaneous matters were reviewed.

Letters:

- Email conveying a phone message of gratitude for assistance from Officers Joe Calorossi and Eric Patenaude, along with email from Interim Chief Crosby thanking the officers.
- Email to Interim Chief Crosby from Adam Ray thanking Officer Cocco for the assistance he gave to Mrs. Ray.
- Letter for Ridgefield Chief of Police to Interim Chief Crosby, thanking Scott Sear for giving a presentation on internet safety at East Ridge Middle School.
- Letter from Detective Sgt. Kenneth Jones to Interim Chief Crosby expressing his, along with his family's, appreciation for police escort during his mother's funeral.

Donations to the Wilton Police Fund:

• \$419.68 - Mid-Fairfield County Association of Realtors

Donations (Other):

• K-9 Gift Fund - \$1,000 from Greg Pinchbeck

Miscellaneous:

• Grades from POST for Officer Jonathan Patry.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Consideration and Acceptance of Acting Captain Donald Wakeman's Resignation from the Wilton Police Department

Interim Chief Crosby informed the Commission that the Department had received written notice dated February 11, 2015 that Acting Captain Donald Wakeman was resigning from the Department effective March 1, 2015, and noted that Acting Captain Wakeman

had been a member of the Department for 27 years. Commissioner Waters made a motion to accept Acting Captain Wakeman's resignation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sauvigne. Motion carried 3-0.

B. Discussion of JAG Grant

Interim Chief Crosby informed the Commission that the Department has applied for a JAG Violent Crime Prevention Grant and, if awarded, this will result in up to \$12,000 that would be used for the server and back-end support of body cameras. Commissioner Weldon asked if the body cameras had been purchased and Interim Chief Crosby replied that they had not, pending development of SOPs and final decision on implementation. The Commission requested that the preferred vendor provide a demonstration at a future Commission meeting, and Interim Chief Crosby agreed to schedule such a demonstration.

REPORTS OF THE COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Weldon suggested that the Commissioners should consider sitting in on shift roll calls periodically in order to enhance the Commission's contact with the rank and file of the Department. The Commissioners agreed that this was an excellent suggestion, and this will be brought up at next month's Commission meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:26 p.m., the meeting went into Executive Session for discussion and consideration of promotion of an officer to lieutenant and for prospective police officer candidate interviews. At 11:19 p.m., the Commission came out of Executive Session. No action was taken in the Executive Session.

NEW BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

C. Consideration of Promotion of a Police Sergeant to Lieutenant by the Department

Commissioner Weldon made a motion to accept Interim Chief Crosby's recommendation to promote Sergeant Robert Kluk to Lieutenant, effective March 20, 2015, with the first salary step increase on the effective date and evaluation one year thereafter as to the second salary step increase. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Waters. Motion carried 3-0.

D. Consideration of Hiring of New Police Officer Recruits by the Department

Commissioner Waters made a motion to offer Brandon Harris and Steven Zawacki offers of employment as police officers of the Department, subject to the usual conditions and background follow up research, with a commencement date of employment determined at the discretion of the Chief upon the satisfactory completion of such conditions and the earliest available time. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sauvigne. Motion carried 3-0.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

At 11:26 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