Wilton Police Commission



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POLICE COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING 11 JANUARY 2021

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 6:14 p.m. In attendance electronically were Commissioner David Waters, Commissioner Adrienne Reedy, Chief John Lynch, Captain Thomas Conlan, Captain Robert Cipolla and Lieutenant David Hartman.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Captain Conlan reported that no public comment had been received.

<u>DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE</u> <u>SESSION</u>

There was no discussion or action on those matters discussed in the Executive Session Special Meeting that preceded this Special Meeting.

CONSIDERATION OF MAKING CONDITIONAL OFFER OF HIRE TO POLICE APPLICANT(S)

Commissioner Waters made a motion to offer Kevin Maloney and Matthew Collins offers of employment as police officers of the Department as comparative hires, at salary steps determined by Chief Lynch in his discretion, subject to the usual conditions and the condition that each officer receive POST training and approval as a comparative hire, 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.

MINUTES

Commissioner Sauvigne made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2020 Executive Session Special Meeting and the December 14, 2020 Special Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reedy. Motion carried 3-0.

DISCUSSION OF MONTHLY REPORTS

Monthly reports were reviewed and discussed.

The Activity Report for December was reviewed. The Commissioners noted that the number of motor vehicle accidents was significantly lower for calendar year 2020 than it was for calendar year 2019 due to less traffic on the roads.

The Commissioners noted the number of MV Stops for December remains steady.

The Detective Bureau report for December did not present any issues. The Commissioners noted that the number of pistol permits is significantly high.

The MAC Report for December was reviewed, and there were no issues.

The SRO Report for December was reviewed and the Commissioners noted some return to normalcy with classroom activities.

The Overtime Report for December was reviewed. The Commissioners recognized the continuing overtime demand, but acknowledged that the reason is identified based upon reduced personnel.

The K-9 Report for December was reviewed and there were no issues.

REPORT OF CHIEF LYNCH

Chief Lynch reviewed with the Commission the letters of thanks and the donations that had been received, and expressed the thanks of the Department for the tremendous support from the community. Chief Lynch noted with gratitude two donations to the Wilton Police Fund.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Building Committee

Commissioner Waters reported that there has been no activity.

B. COVID Update

Chief Lynch reported that the committee continues to meet as needed.

C. Hiring New Recruits

Captain Conlan reported that two of the Department recruits are doing well in field training, and the other two Department recruits are doing well and will graduate in early March.

NEW BUSINESS

A. CTDOT Route 106 Project

The Commissioners, acting as the Local Traffic Authority, reviewed the analysis performed by Lieutenant Hartman of the proposed Aquarion water main/Eversource gas main project on Route 106. The project will provide water and gas mains in a single trench from the New Canaan town line to the water tank near the Presbyterian Church, with the gas line further extended to the Miller-Driscoll School. The work will be performed starting in the Spring 2021 through the end of the year, but work around Miller-Driscoll will be done during the summer to avoid disrupting school activities. The work will require road closures and redirection of traffic to side streets during working hours but the road will be reopened each night. Upon motion made by Commissioner Waters and seconded by Commissioner Sauvigne and passed 3-0, the Commissioners agreed with Lieutenant Hartman's recommendation and authorized Commissioner Sauvigne to sign the written concurrence on behalf of the Local Traffic Authority.

B. Budget FY 2022

Chief Lynch reported that the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2022 does not have any surprises, with a slight increase due to the expected full staffing of the Department. He is meeting with First Selectwoman Vanderslice and the Town's CFO.

REPORTS OF THE COMMISSIONERS

There were no comments by the Commissioners.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:30 p.m., a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Sauvigne seconded by Commissioner Reedy and passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted, David F. Waters, Acting Recording Secretary