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Commissioners:

Christopher Giovino, Chairman Adrienne Reedy Jeffrey Miller

POLICE COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING Comstock Community Center Room 31

Date: May 3, 2023

NOTE: THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND APPROVAL AT A FUTURE MEETING OF THE POLICE COMMISSION

Call To Order

Commission Chairman Chris Giovino called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Adrienne Reedy and Thomas Sinchak, Deputy Chief Robert Cipolla and Lieutenant Gregg Phillipson.

Public Comment

No members of the public were in attendance.

Reading and Approval of Minutes from the April 10, 2023 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Sinchak made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2023 Regular Meeting. Chairman Giovino seconded and the motion was approved by a 3-0 vote.

Monthly Reports

Chief Cipolla presented the Monthly Reports, including:

Activity Reports- The monthly activities were reviewed. The unusually large number of traffic stops was attributable to the distracted driving grant the Department received.

Detective Bureau Report – Several cases have been closed out recently. **MAC Report/SEU Report** - No comments. **SRO Report**- No comments

Overtime Report- Overtime hours are still somewhat over budget on a year to date basis. Note: WPD continues to be short-staffed which impacts the need for overtime coverage. Some overage is due to the 5-2-5-3 rotational work schedule. The Chief and DC will consider ways to minimize these expenses. It was noted that 284 of the overtime hours reflected in the report will be reimbursed from the distracted driving grant.

K-9 Report- No comments.

Training Report - Reviewed new Monthly Training detail report.

Report of the Chief

Several compliments received from the public since the last meeting were reviewed. There were no further comments or discussion.

Old Business

New Hire Update- Both candidates who were offered positions after our recent interviews declined. It will likely take a few months until additional interviews can be scheduled.

Town Wide Radio Project- Project remains on track and so far holding to plan.

Building Update- There has been a delay while we wait for approval from the state for various issues. As a result the project has not yet gone out to bid.

New Business

Traffic Surveys-

Nod Hill Road/Ridgefield Road- Commissioner Sinchak moved to approve the recommendations proposed in the survey with the provision that the Commission was taking no position on the installation of additional stop signs on Ridgefield Road. Chairman Giovino seconded and the motion passed 3-0. A separate motion to move the stop bar at Nod Hill Road forward as proposed in the survey also passed by a 3-0 vote.

Old Ridgefield Road- Commissioner Reedy moved to approve the addition of a sign directing people towards Ridgefield as described in the survey. Chairman Giovino seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

Belden Hill Road - Commissioner Reedy moved to accept the recommendations proposed in the survey. Chairman Giovino seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

Reports from the Commissioners

There were no reports from the Commission members.

Executive Session

At 6:10 p.m., Chairman Giovino moved to suspend the Special Meeting and go into Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Reedy and the motion carried 3-0. Various personnel and legal matters were updated/discussed. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

At 6:45 p.m., the Commission returned to its special session.

Public Comment

No one from the public in attendance.

Adjournment

Chairman Giovino motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Reedy and passed 3-0. The meeting ended at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Sinchak Acting Secretary