

Brookfield Police Commission
Wednesday, April 5, 2017
7:00pm
Brookfield Municipal Center

Present: A. Sparaco, R. Horree, R. Lovell, Ry. Murphy, Z. Nanassy, N. Power, R. Murphy

Not Present: J. Voris

Also Present: Chief Jay Purcell, Major John Puglisi, Captain Peter Frengs

Chairperson Sparaco called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve minutes of March 1, 2017, as amended, by R. Lovell, seconded by R. Horree. Motion approved unanimously.
2. **Public Comment:** None
3. **Department Update:**
 - a. Business checks, vehicle stops and activity levels were reported.
 - b. Major Puglisi recently conducted supervisory and dispatcher staff meetings. At the meetings he updated the staff on the mutual aid agreement in effect for Fairfield County police departments. This is the result of the crime scene management at the Sandy Hook tragedy.
 - c. Captain Frengs has initiated and will be overseeing a new hire process for the Department. The Promotions Committee met with a union representative and consultant for input. He is hopeful to have a plan in place by June.
 - d. Chief Purcell reported that the Facility Needs Committee met with Jerry Gay, Brookfield Purchasing Agent. The progress continues as he will draft an RFP. Cell tower construction continues behind the Pocono Road firehouse. The contractor has made an offer to install the police department communication system in the tower at

a "parts only" charge. Pricing research will be done before an agreement is made.

- e. The distracted driving campaign continues with funding from the High Visibility Distracted Driving Grant (HVDDG).
- f. Chief Purcell reported that the Board of Finance has approved the budget at \$4,149,743, not including capital proposals. The Brookfield budget vote is in May.
- g. The Coffee-With-A-Cop at Bagelman and the Safety Seat Inspection Program continue to be successful events.
- h. Major Puglisi reported to the commissioners that a taser equipment upgrade is needed for thirty units. The present models are obsolete and costly to repair if the parts are available. He is developing a pricing plan. He also reported that the Uniform Committee is reviewing a plan for a dress uniform jacket and ceremonial duty belt which would be priced at approximately \$500 per set. Thirty-four sets would be needed for a total cost of \$17,000. He showed the commissioners a sample of the jacket.

4. **Correspondence:** None

5. **Old Business:** None

6. **New Business:**

- a. Chief Purcell made a recommendation for the hiring of a lateral entry candidate. Motion to approve the lateral entry hiring of Kelsey B. Sullivan by R. Lovell, seconded by Ry. Murphy. Motion passed unanimously.

7. **Executive Session:** None

Chairperson Sparaco adjourned the meeting at 7:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Hyl

Recording Secretary

