



POLICE COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, October 28, 2013
6:30P.M. – Meeting Room 3

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioner's Ed Fusco, Jenny Langdon and Steve Caron
MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner Rob Parlee and Frank Jackter
OTHERS PRESENT: Sgt. Joe Mercer, Sgt. Rob Suchecki, Selectman Stan Soby, Jim Paggioli and Civic Student

1. Call to Order

Commissioner Fusco called the Monday, October 28, 2013 meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. Additions to Agenda

None

3. Citizen's Comments

None

4. Officer's Comments

None

5. Review Correspondence

Commissioner Fusco stated Commissioner Parlee received correspondence from the Department of Transportation regarding the reinstatement of White Oak Farm. The letter will be forwarded to Commissioner Parlee for his response.

6. Approve minutes:

September 23, 2013 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Caron **MOTIONED** to approve the September 23, 2013 Police Commission meeting minutes with the correction to add the approved revisions to the Rules and Regulations. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Langdon. All other members present voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. Budget Review

None

8. Appropriation and Transfer

None

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9. Resident Trooper Report (Sgt. Mercer)

Sgt. Mercer read his report for the month of September (see attachment #1). Commissioner Fusco stated he would like to see the stats from the third shift that occurred over the summer.

10. Local Traffic Authority

First Selectman Soby suggested making formal contact with the State Traffic Authority regarding the temporary barrel that is being used at the crosswalk by the Youth Center. J. Paggioli agreed that permission from the state for permanent use is needed so that the conditions are set. J. Paggioli with the assistance of the Town Engineer will draft a letter to the State Traffic Commission advising them that the sign at the crosswalk was upgraded. J. Paggioli also stated that there was a question that came in to the town engineer regarding winter operations on Norwich Avenue. J. Paggioli stated that is a state road that doesn't interfere with our winter operations.

11. Old Business

a. Discussion of DARE Vehicle

Sgt. Suchecki stated the auction for the DARE vehicle was very successful. The DARE vehicle was sold and delivered. J. Paggioli stated the money was deposited in the vehicle equipment fund and a request for allocation needs to go through the Board of Selectman and Board of Finance. Sgt. Mercer stated he will look into the State statute that determines how the funds should be distributed. Commissioner Caron asked for a list of participants that assisted with the auction and delivery of the DARE vehicle so the board can thank them.

12. New Business

a. Discussion and Possible Action on 2014 Police Commission Meeting Dates

Commissioner Caron **MOTIONED** to approve the 2014 Police Commission meeting dates. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Langdon. All members present voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

13. Chairman/Commission Member Comment

Commissioner Fusco stated he received in the mail a fire safety pamphlet which made him think about doing something similar to promote the successes of the police department. Commissioner Fusco also thanked everyone who assisted in the sale of the DARE vehicle.

14. Adjourn

Commissioner Caron **MOTIONED** to adjourn at 6:57 p.m. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Langdon. All members present voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Attachment

Resident Trooper Report (Attachment #1)

Respectfully Submitted,
Gina Santos, Administrative Assistant



Resident Trooper Supervisor
Sgt. Joe Mercer #176

State of Connecticut



Colchester Police

Connecticut State Police Colchester Resident Troopers' Office

TO: Colchester Police Commission
RE: Monthly Report for September 2013 (October 28, 2013 meeting)

- I. **Monthly activity: statistics – previously submitted**
 - a. S.R.O. activity – CARD classes on hold pending return of Ofc. Edwards (injury).
 - b. Staff meeting held with all Officers.
 - c. All personnel on full duty, except for Sgt. Suchecki and Ofc. Edwards (light duty).
- II. **Equipment:**
 - a. Vehicles-
 - All vehicles in service
 - Vehicle ordered from Columbia Ford, electronics (radio, MDT, etc.) being ordered.
 - b. New duty weapons are in use, all officers qualified in use by range staff.
 - c. In car video/MDT-
MVR cameras in vehicles #1, #4 and #9 were repaired under warranty; they have since malfunctioned again and repairs under warranty are pending. Still in the process of coordinating automated upload of video to server.
- III. **Officer Training:**
 - a. Department Firearms trainers conducted qualifications in new weapons, all completed.
 - b. Off. Goss attended POSTC recertification training.
 - c. Sgt. Suchecki, Off. Green, Off. Owens, Off. Edwards attended COLLECT Training Recert.
- IV. **Initiatives:**
 - a. RX Drug drop box. – over 332 lbs. of prescription drugs have been dropped off to date.
 - b. 57 Fest Operations plan implemented with no major incidents, 2 calls for service.
 - c. Officers are conducting visibility/enforcement patrols at Youth Center at open hours.
 - d. In staff meeting Officers were advised that the JRB should be utilized when possible in lieu of the Juvenile Justice System.
- V. **Notable Investigations:**
 - a. Investigations of several dumpster fires (arsons) under investigation, officers have been advised of possible suspect description and are conducting patrol checks.

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