



**Police Commission Minutes
Regular Meeting
Monday, November 23, 2015
6:30P.M. – Town Hall
Room 2**

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Rob Parlee, Sue Dubb and Jenny Langdon
MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioners Ed Fusco and Steve Caron
OTHERS PRESENT: Sgt. M. Martinez, First Selectman Art Shilosky, Officer Bryan Kowalsky and Civic Students

1. **Call to Order**
Commissioner Parlee called the Monday, November 23, 2015 meeting to order at 6:30p.m.
2. **Additions to Agenda**
None
3. **Citizen's Comments**
None
4. **Officer's Comments**
None
5. **Review Correspondence**
Commissioner Parlee stated he received a pamphlet listing Traffic Authority training classes if the Commissioners are interested in attending.
6. **Approve minutes: October 26, 2015 Police Commission Meeting**
Commissioner Dubb **MOTIONED** to approve the October 26, 2015 Police Commission meeting minutes as written. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Langdon. All members present voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. Budget Review (Commissioner Fusco)

a. Report Regarding 24 Hour Police Coverage (Commissioners Caron and Dubb)

Sgt. Martinez stated he met with Commissioner Fusco to discuss budget FY2016-2017. Commissioner Dubb stated she is still making attempts to get in touch with M. Cosgrove to gather more information that is needed.

8. Appropriation and Transfer

None

9. Resident Trooper Report (Sgt. Martinez)

Sgt. Martinez read the October monthly report (attachment #1).

10. Local Traffic Authority

Discussion was had regarding Route 16/Route 85 intersection. Commissioner Parlee will contact Sal Tassone to possibly have DOT look into modifying the lights at the intersection to alleviate traffic congestion.

11. Old Business

a. Discussion on Charter

First Selectman Shilosky stated the Charter Commission Committee is under revision.

b. Discussion on Colchester Police Facebook Page

Commissioner Parlee stated the Facebook Page looks good.

c. Discussion and Possible Action on K-9 Policy

Discussion was had regarding K-9 handler policy.

d. Discussion on Police Officer's Body Cameras

Sgt. Martinez stated they are still in the process of seeking out grants to cover the purchase of body cameras for the officers.

e. Discussion Regarding Speed Enforcement

Officer Kowalsky presented his application for Officer First Class and gave an overview of his project. Officer Kowalsky stated last week he deployed the traffic box and has retrieved the data which he shared with the Commissioners. Commissioner Dubb **MOTIONED** to accept Officer Kowalsky's application for Officer First Class signed by Commissioner Parlee approving completed requirements. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Langdon. All members present voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

12. New Business

a. Discussion and Action on Police Commission 2016 Meeting Dates

Commissioner Dubb **MOTIONED** to accept the Police Commission 2016 meeting dates. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Langdon. All members present voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

13. Chairman/Commission Member Comments

Commissioners Parlee and Dubb congratulated Sgt. Martinez for all of his work regarding the K-9 and also Officer Kowalsky for his Officer First Class project.

First Selectman Shilosky stated he received a request from State Representative M. Ziobron for more police visibility in her District.

14. Adjourn

Commissioner Dubb **MOTIONED** to adjourn at 7:17p.m. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Langdon. All members present voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Attachment

Resident Trooper Report (attachment #1)

Respectfully Submitted,
Gina Santos



State of Connecticut



Resident Trooper Supervisor
Sgt. Martin Martinez # 124

Connecticut State Police Colchester Resident Troopers' Office

Colchester Police

TO: Colchester Police Commission
RE: Monthly Report for October 2015 (Nov. 23, 2015 meeting)

- I. **Monthly activity: statistics – previously submitted**
 - a. S.R.O. activity – CARD classes started on October 26, 2015.
 - b. All personnel on full duty, except for Ofc. Owens (Maternity Leave).
- II. **Equipment:**
 - a. Vehicles-
 - One vehicle is out of service, this vehicle was put out of service due to undercarriage rot, this vehicle (SUV) will not be put back in service.
 - The new vehicle was ordered from MHQ and we anticipate delivery on or about Dec. 07, 2015.
 - b. New duty weapons are in use, all officers qualified in the use by range staff.
 - c. In car video/MDT-

The MVR cameras were checked on Nov. 04th by State Police personnel and Mario (IT Coordinator). I received an e-mail from the State indicating that they are in the process of looking into the issue with the town cameras with efforts of coming up with a resolution to the problem.
 - d. I am in the process of obtaining quotes for body cameras to purchase them for all of our Officers in the next budget (FY2016-2017).

Officer Training:

 - a. Department Firearm trainers conducted qualifications in new weapons, all completed.
 - b. POSTC recertification training for all of our Officers is current.
- III. **Initiatives:**
 - a. RX Drug drop box. – over 844 lbs. of prescription drugs have been dropped off to date.
 - b. Officers are conducting visibility/enforcement patrols at numerous locations within the town. The Speed Trailer has been deployed at numerous locations throughout the town and it is currently on Route 16.
 - c. The JRB is being utilized when possible in lieu of the Juvenile Justice System.
 - d. Our canine “Josie” was delivered to us on Nov. 04th. “Josie” will be on patrol with Ofc. Jonathan Goss. It is anticipated that “Josie” will start her training on or about the second week of January 2016.
- IV. **Notable Investigations:**

None to report.

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