EAST WINDSOR POLICE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING: January 8, 2014

East Windsor Police Department - Meeting Room

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE:

Meeting was called to order at 6:20pm by Chairman Strempfer. Commissioners Mancuso, Leach and Long (6:25pm) were present. Commissioner Filipone was absent (excused). Also present were Chief of Police Edward DeMarco, Jr., Deputy Chief of Police Roger Hart and Selectwoman Dale Nelson (liaison to public safety).

2. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:

None

3. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from the December 11, 2013 regular meeting were reviewed by all commission members. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Mancuso to accept the regular meeting minutes of 12/11/13. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Leach. No discussion.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Mancuso/Leach

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

4. BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES:

A) Police Department – **Monthly Billing: MOTION** made by Commissioner Mancuso to accept the monthly billing dated 1/3/14, including Animal Control, in the total amount of \$10,233.94. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Leach. No discussion.

VOTE IN FAVOR: Mancuso/Leach/Long

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

B) Police Department – Financial Statement: MOTION made by Commissioner Mancuso to approve the monthly financial statement dated 1/3/14, as submitted. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Leach. No discussion.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Mancuso/Leach/Long

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

C) **Police Commission – Monthly Billing: MOTION** made by Commissioner Mancuso to approve the monthly billing as of 12/31/13 in the total amount of \$ 125.00. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Leach. No discussion.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Mancuso/Leach/Long

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

D) Police Commission – Financial Statement: MOTION made by Commissioner Mancuso to accept the police commission monthly financial statement dated 12/31/13, as submitted. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Leach. No discussion.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Mancuso/Leach/Long

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A) Security Alarms:

Chief DeMarco responded to the five questions posed in the email presented at the 12/11/13 meeting.

- How many systems are registered? *Approximately 775 alarms (business and residential)*
- How many alarms does the department respond to annually? Based on a three year average, approximately 570/year. Prior to the ordinance, approximately 950/year.
- How many false alarms? Difficult to define, however Chief DeMarco stated it is at 94-98% which is also the national percentage.
- What is the annual revenue collected from related fees and fines? Based on an eight year average, approximately \$2000/year is collected. Registration fee is \$15.00 and the annual renewal is \$10.00. The renewal fee is waived if there were no false alarms in the past year.
- What account do the funds go to? Funds go to the "Police Alarm Fund"

6.	TRAFF	IC AU	THORITY	:
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None.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

None.

8. COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

9. MONTHLY REPORTS:

- A) Chief of Police: Commissioners received packet. Commissioner Strempfer requested clarification on the canine retirement. Chief DeMarco explained that the canine, not the officer, will retire on 7/1/14 after 8-9 years of service. The officer will keep the canine. At this time, the department will not be replacing the canine due to costs (food, vet, etc.). Costs can run approximately \$5-7,000 and the department would lose an officer for the initial training. Chief DeMarco stated that the department may revisit this in the future, but in the meantime East Windsor has mutual aide with dogs (Windsor, Windsor Locks and Enfield).
- B) Commission Members: None.

10. PUBLIC INPUT – Comments and Discussion (5 minutes maximum time per subject)

None

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION made by Chairman Mancuso to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:30pm. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Long. No further discussion.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Mancuso/Leach/Long

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Pellegrini - EWPC Recording Secretary