

**Public Safety Committee (DOC/Garner) Minutes  
Regular Meeting – December 6, 2016 at 5:00 pm  
Newtown Municipal Center (Meeting Room #1)  
3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT**

**Members Present:** First Selectman E. Patricia Llodra, Warden Henry Falcone, Garner Correctional Facility, Chief James Viadero, Kevin Cragin, Board of Fire Commissioners, Joy Previdi, Bruce Clark, Stephen Sedensky

**ALSO PRESENT:** One member of the press.

**ABSENT:** Neil Chaudhary, Jay Mattegat, Gino Faiella.

First Selectman Llodra called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

**Public Participation:** none.

**Minutes:** Mr. Sedensky moved the minutes of September 6, 2016. Ms. Previdi seconded. All were in favor.

**Warden's Report:** The current population at the Garner Correctional Facility is 547.

Staffing is at 92% and down approximately 23 officers; no further layoffs are anticipated. There have been no reduction in mental health staff, which is funded by UCONN.

Mark Aldrich continues to volunteer two nights a week with the Theater program and is working on the next production.

A creative writing program will begin next month.

**Budget:** The facility continues to look for ways to save money, they have gone to multi scanners and cut back on supplies. The quick chill program, where frozen food was shipped in has been discontinued and they are going back to facility based cooking.

A maintenance supervisor has been hired.

The Quinnipiac graduation from the inside-outside program is December 7. Warden Falcone will recommend this program continue. Certain criteria must be met such as three years without any disciplinary action and the participant has to be productive within the facility. The GED program will be continuing at Garner.

**OLD BUSINESS:** none.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 2017 Meeting calendar: Mr. Sedensky moved to approve the 2017 meeting calendar (att). Ms. Previdi seconded. All were in favor.

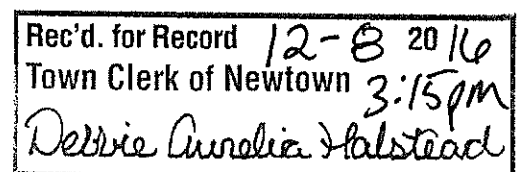
**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** none.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Having no further business the committee voted unanimously to adjourn their regular meeting at 5:13 pm

Respectfully submitted,

*Susan Marcinek, clerk*

*att: 2017 meeting calendar*



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E. Patricia Llodra  
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**2017 Meeting Schedule**

The Public Safety Committee (DOC/Garner) will hold meetings at 5:00 pm in Meeting Room #1 at the Newtown Municipal Center, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT as follows:

Tuesday	March 7
Tuesday	June 6
Tuesday	September 5
Tuesday	December 5