

**Wolfeboro Police Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
July 16, 2009, 2009**

**Members present:** Chairman Benjamin Ladd, Curtis A. Pike and Joe Balboni Jr.

**Staff present:** Wolfeboro Police Chief Stuart Chase, Lieutenant Dean Rondeau, K9 Officer Jim O'Brien, K9 Blek and Recording Secretary Amelia Capone-Muccio

**Invited guest/speakers:** none

Chairman Ladd called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM in the Community Center. He introduced the Commissioners, staff in attendance and noted a quorum was present.

**Consideration of Minutes**

➤ *Public and non-public minutes of June 18, 2009*

**Commissioner Joe Balboni Jr moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to accept the public and non-public minutes of June 18, 2009 as submitted. Commissioner Curtis A. Pike seconded. Members voted and being none opposed, the motion passed.**

**Activity Reports**

Chief Chase reviewed the following activity reports for the month:

**Incident status report:** Chief Chase stated the summary of the report includes 11 open incident, 18 open arrest cases, 12 closed incident cases, 4 closed arrest cases, 7 incidents closed by arrest, 13 suspended cases, 11 no crime cases and 2 unfounded cases.

**Offenses (State Law) by month:** Chief Chase stated the total offenses for the month is 98, which is a 16% decrease from last month. He stated the year to date total is 543.

**Arrest status report:** Chief Chase stated the report is a synopsis of each officer's reporting for the month. He stated the report includes 43 open cases, 4 closed cases and 11 protective custody cases. He summarized the subject of arrests.

**Arrest on view and based on incidents/warrants by time of day:** Chief Chase stated the day of the week with the most activity was Wednesday.

**Summons arrest by time of day:** Chief Chase stated the day of the week with the most activity was Friday.

**Protective custody arrests by time of day:** Chief Chase reported 11 protective custody arrests for the month.

**Geographical analysis report:** Chief Chase stated the streets with the most activity were Center Street and South Main Street.

**Accidents by street name:** Chief Chase stated there was a total of 13 accidents, a 30% increase from last month. The report lists the accidents by street name.

**Prosecutor's report:** Chief Chase stated there were 23 defendants that faced 26 offenses last month: 9 pleas, 12 arraignments and 5 trials.

**Call analysis by call reason:** Chief Chase stated there were 3,987 calls to Central Dispatch last month, a 15% increase from last month.

#### Chief's items

- Senior Patrolman Gregg Cooper attended training on School Resource Officer issues.
- Sergeant Archambault and Officer Martel attended training on Islamic culture at the US Attorney's Office.
- K9 Officer Jim O'Brien and Blek participated in a US Police K9 Association trials in Maine this past weekend and took seven awards as follows:
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place search novice
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place agility novice
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place overall novice
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place apprehension novice
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place obedience novice
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place suspect search novice

K9 Officer O'Brien stated that he attended the competition in Falmouth Maine with 12 other officers and their dogs. He explained that Blek participated in several areas in the competition testing his skills in search of a suspect and finding decoys as well his obedience. He stated the reason they entered the novice category was due to the fact that they have not competed before.

- The Fourth of July Parade brought out more spectators than normal since it was the first sunny day in sometime and thanks to Sergeant Archambault's event planning capabilities their public safety responsibilities were nearly flawless.
- Unlike the parade, the Fireworks display was quiet and the event did not have the same numbers that have turned out in years before and the traffic emptied from the event in 40 minutes.
- Lieutenant Rondeau has been working with the State coordinators and the Finance Director on many grants.
- Lieutenant Rondeau has secured five portable breath testing units with a dollar value of approximately \$3,500 and a bullet proof vest reimbursement program of about \$1,600.
- He stated the Board of Selectmen approved the Byrne Grant in the amount of \$10,714 at their meeting last evening allowing the Department to purchase much-needed equipment.
- He has met with the Town Manager to discuss the ADA accessible bathroom at the Public Safety Building and design plans will be prepared for the budget.
- He noted that he incorrectly reported the Overtime for the Burns investigation last month and the correct amount of Overtime for that investigation was 110 hours over a two-week period.
- He explained the Nixle program where Central Dispatch can use the program to communicate with residents via the Internet or text message. He stated the public could find out more about the program at [www.Nixle.com](http://www.Nixle.com) or contact Central Dispatch Supervisor Mia Lyons at 569-1444. He summarized the purpose of the program is similar to reverse 911, but is a free program to communicate with the public in the event of an emergency.

## Unfinished Business

Commissioner Pike stated the pump at Clark Plaza has been upgraded with a automatic switch and he suggested they rescind their previous vote to divert responsibility of the pump to the Public Works Department.

Commissioner Curtis A. Pike moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to rescind the vote to relinquish their duties for the pump at Clark Plaza as voted at their 5/21/2009 Police Commission meeting. Commissioner Joe Balboni Jr seconded. Members voted and being none opposed, the motion passed.

Chief Chase stated that the Department would distribute a Police Survey in next month's Electric Utility Bill as a means to receive feedback from the public on the Department.

## Public and Media input

None.

## Next meeting date

Chairman Ladd announced the next meeting of the Police Commission is **August 20, 2009 at 6:30 PM** at the Community Center.

*Being no further business before the Commission, Chairman Ladd entertained a motion to enter non-public session.*

Commissioner Curtis A. Pike moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to non-public session under RSA 91A: III, paragraph 3, II c at 7:00 PM. Commissioner Joe Balboni Jr seconded. Members voted: Roll call vote, Curtis A. Pike-yes, Joe Balboni Jr.-yes and Benjamin Ladd-yes, the motion passed.

The Commission re-entered public session at 7:35 PM and voted by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote to seal the minutes of July 16, 2009 as required by law.

Commissioner Curtis A. Pike moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to adjourn at 7:36 PM. Commissioner Joe Balboni Jr seconded. Members voted and being none opposed, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

***Amelia Capone-Muccio***

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