

# **Wolfeboro Police Commission Meeting Minutes October 15, 2015**

**Members present:** Chairman Ron Goodgame., Joe Balboni Jr. and Steve Wood.

**Staff present:** Chief Stu Chase, Captain Dean Rondeau and Recording Secretary Amelia Capone- Muccio.

Chairman Goodgame called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM and introduced the Commissioner's, staff in attendance and noted a quorum was present.

➤ ***Pledge of Allegiance***

## **Consideration of Minutes**

- ***Public minutes of September 17, 2015***

**Commissioner Joe Balboni Jr. moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to accept the public minutes of September 17, 2015 as submitted. Commissioner Steve Wood seconded. Members voted and being none opposed, the motion passed.**

## **Activity Reports**

Chief Chase reviewed the following activity reports for the month:

**Offenses (State Law) by month:** He reported 68 offenses for the month, a 32% decrease with 644 offenses year to date.

**Arrest status report:** He reported 23 arrests last month, which is a 23% decrease.

**Personnel Analysis report:** He stated the report is provided showing a synopsis of each officer's reporting for the month.

**Accidents by street name:** He reported 15 accidents last month and 105 year to date.

**Motor Vehicle report:** He reported 185 stops for violations and that the majority of those is non-punitive as the goal is to educate consistent with our view of Community Policing. He provided a breakdown of those stops.

**School Resource Officer (SRO):** He reported a high volume of activity with 27 investigations at the High School and 4 at the Middle School.

**Detectives Report:** He reported that Detective Maloney started the month with 9 new cases and he closed 6.

## **Chief's Items**

Chief Chase reported the following items:

- He reported the Officers are undergoing the annual firearms re-certification under the direction of Sgt. Scott Moore and Officer Pat Spera, range masters and firearms instructors.
- Officer Strauch and "Riggs" are progressing at the State Police K9 academy where the team will be certified in "Alert & Detection of Controlled Drugs and Contraband."
- The Department is preparing for the annual use of force training at the NH Police Academy at Police Standards & Training. They will be utilizing the firearms training simulator in this four hour block and he thanked Director Don Vittum for providing this valuable training tool to our officers.
- He reported that Sgt. Scott Moore received a letter of thanks from a family who lost their son in an untimely death recently as the Sergeant performed CPR on the young man in an effort to revive him.
- The participation in the National Drug Take Back initiative lead to collecting 80 pounds of pharmaceuticals that could have otherwise been improperly disposed of. He thank all those who helped keep these drugs from polluting the environment and/or falling into unintended hands.
- In continued efforts to get the message out on the dangers of heroin and drug abuse, Captain Rondeau served as the keynote speaker at the annual meeting of the Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice. He read a note thanking the Captain for that service.
- He reported that Captain Rondeau was the guest speaker at the Wright Museum's, 9-11 Ceremony.
- He reported HALLOWEEN IN WOLFEBORO WILL BE CELEBRATED ON ---HALLOWEEN--- OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup> FROM 5:00PM-7:00PM. He read the annual press release for Halloween that will be published in the newspaper.
- He stated the 2016 budget process is underway and the Department presented the proposed budgets to the Town Manager on September 16<sup>th</sup> and to the Board of Selectmen on October 13<sup>th</sup>. He reported one "re-visit item" for the Selectmen regarding cruiser lease. The Budget Committee hearing is scheduled for November 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM in the Library.
- The Department gratefully acknowledges the gift of two trail cameras donated by a resident who was most appreciative of the efforts of Sgt. Archambault in a recent series of investigations.
- The Wolfeboro Children's Christmas Fund got a great "jump-start" recently with a \$2,000.00 donation from a Wolfeboro resident who has long been a contributor to this program and to other local endeavors.
- The Department entered into a police-towing agreement with Mr. Ken Factor of Wolfeboro, d/b/a Back Bay Recovery. Back Bay Towing will join in the rotation with Crowell's Towing, our long-time provider.
- The Department continues to provide an officer for the Board of Selectmen meetings – a duty that is generally shared by the Captain and himself.
- He noted that at the Department Head meeting today it was announced there will be a celebration on the re-opening of Town Hall on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

## Commissioner's Items

Chairman Goodgame noted a letter was received by the Interim Town Manager of the Town of New Durham seeking to speak with the Wolfeboro Police Department on possible providing coverage of officers while they hire officers to staff the Department.

**It was moved by Ron Goodgame and seconded by Job Balboni Jr. to authorize Chief Chase and/or Captain Rondeau to negotiate coverage with the Town of New Durham. Members voted and being none oppose, the motion passed.**

**It was moved by Ron Goodgame and seconded by Joe Balboni Jr. to send a letter congratulating Chief Shagoury of the Tuftonboro Police Department on his recent award.**

### ➤ ***Next Meeting***

The next meeting the Commission will be November 19, 2015 at 4:00 PM.

Being no further business before the Commission, Chairman Goodgame entertained a motion to enter non-public session to discuss minutes and matters relating to emergency functions of the police department.

**Commissioner Job Balboni Jr. moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission enter non-public session under RSA: 91-A: 3 II, e. Steve Wood seconded. Members voted: roll call vote, Ron Goodgame-yes, Joe Balboni Jr.-yes and Steve Wood-yes, the motion passed.**

The Commission re-entered public session at 5:16 PM. Chairman Goodgame announced the minutes of October 15<sup>th</sup> non-public session were sealed by a 2/3rds voted as required by law.

*Being no further business before the Commission, Chairman Goodgame entertained a motion to adjourn.*

**Commissioner Joe Balboni Jr. moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to adjourn at 5:18 PM. Commissioner Steve Wood seconded. Being none opposed, the motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted,  
**Amelia Capone-Muccio**  
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