

**Wolfeboro Police Commission**

**Meeting Minutes**

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

WOLFEBORO, N.H. TOWN CLERK

**Staff present:** Chief Stu Chase and Recording Secretary Amelia Capone- Muccio.

Chairman Goodgame called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM and introduced the Commissioners, staff in attendance and noted a quorum was present. He noted Commissioner Wood is excused from attending this meeting.

➤ **Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairman Goodgame entertained the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consideration of Minutes**

• **Public minutes of August 20, 2015**

Commissioner Joe Balboni Jr. moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to accept the public minutes of August 20, 2015 as submitted. Commissioner Ron Goodgame seconded. Members voted and being none opposed, the motion passed.

**Activity Reports**

Chief Chase reported on the following activity reports for last month:

**Offenses (State Law) by month:** He reported 101 offenses for the month which is an increase from the previous month and the highest reporting this year. He noted this is a 13% increase over 2014.

**Arrest status report:** He reported 30 arrests for last month, which is an increase from the previous month and 195 year to date.

**Personnel Analysis report:** The report is a synopsis of each officer's reporting for the month.

**Accidents by street name:** He reported 16 accidents for last month which is an increase from the previous month and 90 year to date.

**Prosecutor's report:** He reported 21 defendants who answered 23 offenses; 12 arraignments, 2 hearings, 2 trials. He reported \$7,190 was received in fines or assessments.

**School Resource Officer (SRO):** N/A

**Motor Vehicle Traffic Report:** He reported 189 stops last month and only a handful of those resulted in summons. He noted the goal is to educate the public.

**Detectives Report:** He provided the Detectives reporting for the month showing 12 new cases.

## Chief's Items

Chief Chase reviewed the report as follows:

- He stated that three Department supervisors attended Performance evaluation training and he attended a 4 hour block of instruction at UNH on retention of employees.
- He stated the K9 team of "Riggs" and Officer Strauch will begin nine weeks off training on "alert & detection" of controlled drugs and contraband at the State Police K9 academy commencing next week. He also noted the Department gives special thanks to the following: Rob & Chris West of "Accidents Happen Auto Body" on Pine Hill Road for donating time, material and painting the resurrected K9 car, the graphic application done by Justin Swift of the Ossipee PD and some additional body work and equipment installation done by Officer Strauch himself.
- He stated he had the pleasure of meeting with Craig Gemmell, Head of School at Brewster Academy where they discussed matters of mutual interest and concern and the Captain is working with other public safety officials on an emergency planning assessment for Brewster Academy.
- The following meetings were attended by a member of the Department this past month: The Carroll County Coalition on Drugs, Carroll County Commission & County Delegation – budget issues for remainder of 2015, New Hampshire Sheriff's Association, Board of Selectmen meetings and Finance Director and Dispatch Supervisor on IT maintenance.
- The Department had an officer present at the recent, hazardous waste collection day at the landfill.
- He reminded the public that those who wish to properly dispose of unwanted pharmaceuticals: the next "take-back" date will be Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> during normal business hours at the public safety building. There are no forms to fill out just deposit into the receptacle in the lobby.
- He provided an outstanding example of the compassion our "public safety family" as follows: recently, a woman was charged with endangering the welfare of a child after the department received numerous reports of an intoxicated person pushing a baby in a stroller on Center Street. This is the second time this year we dealt with this family on the same issue. The suspect was located, arrested and housed at the jail. Without a responsible family member available, officers brought the infant to the public safety building. The spouses of a police officer and firefighter came to the police station and cared for the baby for three hours until emergency foster care could be located through a judge in the family court. My personal thanks to these ladies for the giving of their time and maternal expertise in a moment of dire need!
- He met with the Town Manager yesterday on the 2016 budget proposals. Animal control and Central Dispatch will be passed on to the Board of Selectmen without changes. The Town Manager reduced the police proposal with the request for four cruisers back to three. There was a slight adjustment in the gasoline line due to an updated cost per gallon amount. He noted that he and the Finance Director will be calculating a revised request for the overtime line. The Selectmen will hear the proposals at a date to be determined in October and there is a tentative date of November 17<sup>th</sup> for the budget committee.
- At the request of the Chair, he negotiated School Resource Officer agreement between the Department and School District and provided a copy for ratification by the Commission. (See attached)

It was moved by Joe Balboni Jr. to ratify the Resource Officer Agreement between the Wolfeboro Police Department and the Governor Wentworth Regional School District signed by Chairman of the Police Commission Ronald E. Goodgame and Chief of Police Stuart Chase dated September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 as provided at this meeting. Ron Goodgame seconded. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

#### Questions from the Press

None.

#### Board of Selectmen's Representative

None.

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

Commissioner Joe Balboni Jr. moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to move to non-public session under RSA 91-A to approve non-public minutes a, at 4:29 PM. Ron Goodgame seconded. Roll call vote, Ron Goodgame-yes, Joe Balboni Jr.-yes, being none opposed, the motion passed.

The Commission re-entered public session at 4:30 PM.

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

Commissioner Ron Goodgame moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to adjourn at 4:30 PM. Commissioner Joe Balboni Jr. seconded. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Amelia Capone-Muccio**