

Town of Guilford
Board of Police Commissioners
Minutes
Wednesday, November 18, 2015
5:30 PM
Police Headquarters, Community Room

Present: Commissioners: P. Martha Carlson, Jeff Hedberg, Fred Trotta, Paul Chello
Department Members: Chief Jeffrey Hutchinson, Deputy Chief Dunn, Lucy Krauchick, Clerk of the Board
Lt. Provencher, Sergeant Fasulo, Officer Dillon, Officer Hill, Officer Duro,
Officer Williams
Public: Family and Friends of Sergeant Fasulo

Call to order.

Chair Carlson called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

1. Approval of Board of Police Commissioners meeting minutes.

1.1. Approval of Board of Police Commissioners meeting minutes of Wednesday, October 21, 2105

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Hedberg, and seconded by Commissioner Trotta, the Commission voted to approve the meeting minutes of Wednesday, October 21, 2015 as presented.

All in favor: Carlson, Hedberg, Trotta, Chello

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

1.2. Approval of Board of Police Commissioners special meeting of Monday, November 9, 2015.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Trotta, and seconded by Commissioner Hedberg, the Commission voted to approve the special meeting minutes of Monday, November 9, 2015 as presented.

All in favor: Carlson, Trotta, Chello

Opposed: None

Abstained: Hedberg

Chair Carlson asked for a motion to move items up the Agenda to accommodate the audience.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Hedberg, and seconded by Commissioner Chello, the Commission voted to approve to move up Agenda Item 4.2.1. Swearing In Sergeant Kurt Fasulo and 4.2.2. Swearing In Officer Jared Dillon to accommodate the audience.

All in favor: Carlson, Hedberg, Trotta, Chello
Opposed: None
Abstained: None

Chief Hutchinson recognized Sergeant Fasulo and Officer Dillon and thanked their families and friends who were in attendance. He congratulated Sergeant Fasulo on his promotion and congratulated Officer Dillon as a new hire for the department.

A formal swearing in ceremony took place, with a photo opportunity for Sergeant Fasulo and Officer Dillon.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Trotta, and seconded by Commissioner Chello, the Commission voted to recess the meeting at 5:40 PM for the purposes of a reception with the family and friends of Sergeant Fasulo and Officer Dillon.

All in favor: Carlson, Hedberg, Trotta, Chello
Opposed: None
Abstained: None

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Trotta, and seconded by Commissioner Chello, the Commission voted to reopen the meeting at 5:50 PM.

All in favor: Carlson, Hedberg, Trotta, Chello
Opposed: None
Abstained: None

2. Public Petition/Commentary.

None.

3. Traffic.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Hedberg, and seconded by Commissioner Trotta, the Commission voted to add under Traffic Item 3.2.8. Request to close the Guilford Green for a cycling event.

All in favor: Carlson, Hedberg, Trotta, Chello
Opposed: None
Abstained: None

3.1. Correspondence update regarding traffic request to remove parking restrictions-FYI.

Chief Hutchinson reported the survey was complete and correspondence was sent to the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation regarding the request for removal for the state signs.

3.2. Correspondence update regarding traffic concern on Route 77 (Durham Road) and Bluff View Drive-FYI.

The Chief reported this traffic concern was reviewed by the Manager of Traffic Engineering with the State of Connecticut.

3.3. Correspondence update regarding traffic concerns on Route 146.-FYI.

The Chief reported the traffic concerns were forwarded to the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation.

3.4. Correspondence updating regarding traffic request for Candlelight Walk-FYI.

The Candlelight Walk request was approved at the previous meeting by the Board of Police Commissioners.

3.5. Correspondence update regarding traffic request for "Blind Driveway" sign-FYI.

The Chief reviewed correspondence sent to the resident who requested the sign.

3.6. Traffic sign request form-FYI.

No discussion.

3.7. Vineyard Point Road update as tabled (no documents).

The Chief gave a verbal update regarding Vineyard Point Road. The Chief and Commissioner Mikolay met with the First Selectman, Town Counsel and the Vineyard Point Association and confirmed it was a productive meeting.

3.8. Request to close the Green for a cycling event.

The Chief reviewed correspondence received to his office requesting the closure of roads around the town green and the green for a USA cycling event. It was agreed there is one town road that would fall under the jurisdiction of the Traffic Authority.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Hedberg, and seconded by Commissioner Trotta, the Commission voted to deny the traffic request to close the Town road around the Town Green for a USA cycling event.

All in favor: Carlson, Hedberg, Trotta, Chello

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

4. Committee Reports.

4.1. Facilities.

None.

4.2. Personnel.

4.2.1. Swearing In-Sergeant Kurt Fasulo.

As previously moved up the Agenda.

4.2.2. Swearing In-Officer Jared Dillon.

As previously moved up the Agenda.

4.2.3. IA 2015-03. May require Executive Session.

Discussion took place regarding IA 2015-03.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Chello, and seconded by Commissioner Trotta, the Commission voted to exonerate the officer.

All in favor: Carlson, Hedberg, Trotta, Chello

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

4.2.4. IA 2015-04. May require Executive Session.

Discussion took place regarding IA 2015-04.

4.2.5. Department Awards.

Chief Hutchinson reviewed the cases and the circumstances regarding the life-saving awards. Officer Anania, Sergeant Dube and Sergeant Massey were all deserving of the award and were presented the life-saving awards earlier this month at Headquarters.

Chief Hutchinson reviewed the Unit Citation which Officer Anania, Officer Dillon and Officer Shove were awarded.

4.2.6. Patrol hiring status report from the Chief of Police (verbal).

Chief Hutchinson reviewed the current patrol hiring status with the Board of Police Commissioners.

4.3. Communications

4.3.1. Correspondence received regarding Officer O'Connor from the Board of Selectman.

Chair Carlson spoke about correspondence received to Officer O'Connor from First Selectman Mazza. The First Selectman congratulated Officer O'Connor on the recognition he received from

the Center of Domestic Violence Services for his outstanding service to victims of Domestic Violence.

4.3.2. Correspondence received regarding Officer O'Connor from Mrs. Godley.

Chair Carlson spoke about correspondence received from Mrs. Godley thanking Officer O'Connor for his professionalism and gentlemanly demeanor during a recent traffic stop.

4.3.3. Correspondence received from State Representative Scanlon thanking the Chief of Police and Sergeant Renchy.

Chair Carlson spoke about correspondence received from State Representative Sean Scanlon. Mr. Scanlon thanked both Chief Hutchinson and Sergeant Renchy for attending a recent round table discussion on domestic violence.

4.3.4. Correspondence received from South Central Criminal Justice Administration to Deputy Chief Dunn.

Chair Carlson spoke about correspondence received by Deputy Chief Dunn thanking him for serving as a panelist at a recent oral board for the ranks of Lieutenant and Captain.

4.3.5. Correspondence received from the Shoreline Eldercare Alliance thanking Lieutenant Robinson and Detective Jakober.

Chair Carlson spoke about correspondence received by Lieutenant Robinson and Detective Jakober from Shoreline Eldercare Alliance thanking them for attending a recent meeting at the Hearth at Gardenside in Branford.

4.3.6. Correspondence from the President of Guilford A Better Chance, Inc.

Chair Carlson reviewed correspondence from the President of Guilford of Better Chance, Inc. thanking Chief Hutchinson for his advice.

4.3.7. Note to Officer Casey from Ms. Bennett.

Chair Carlson read from a note received by Officer Casey from Ms. Bennett thanking him for his recent assistance, when she was lost on a hiking trail.

4.4. Budget/Finance.

4.4.1. Budget Report.

Chief Hutchinson reviewed the report and indicated the budget is in good order at this time.

4.4.2. 2016/2017 Budget (no documents).

Chief Hutchinson reviewed the fiscal year 2016/2017 capital budget plan with the Board of Police Commissioners.

5. Monthly Reports.

The Chief reviewed the monthly reports with the Board of Police Commissioners.

6. Old Business.

None.

7. New Business.

7.1. Citizen Award-Present award to Mr. Thomas Farace Senior and Mr. Thomas Farace Junior.

The awardees were not present, therefore, the awards will be mailed to them.

The Chief of Police briefed the Commission on a legal matter.

8. Police Comments.

None.

9. Executive Session.

9.1 Legal Matter.

Discussed under New Business.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Chello, and seconded by Commissioner Hedberg, the Commission voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 PM.

All in favor: Carlson, Hedberg, Trotta, Chello

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy Krauchick Clerk of the Board