

Town of Guilford
Board of Police Commissioners
Minutes
Wednesday, February 20, 2019
5:30 P.M.
Community Room – Police Headquarters

Present:

Commissioners: Chairman Carlson
Commissioner Mikolay
Commissioner Chello
Commissioner Frey
Commissioner Welsh

Department Members:

Chief Hutchinson
Deputy Chief Hyatt
Lucy Krauchick, Clerk of the Board
Officer Sadiev
Sergeant Jakober
Sergeant Massey
Officer Gingras
Officer McPhillips
Officer Quilty

Public:

Mr. and Mrs. Sadiev
David Young
Orion Young
Mary Jo Puchini
Tracy Davis
Tatyana Hristova
Julie Haight
Josephine Golia (late arrival)
Deborah Hearn (late arrival)

Chairman Carlson called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. Chairman Carlson asked for a motion to move Item 4.2.1 Swearing In-Officer Sadiev up the Agenda to accommodate the audience.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Mikolay, and seconded by Commissioner Welsh, the Commission voted to move item 4.2.1 Swearing In-Officer Sadiev up the Agenda to accommodate the audience.

All in favor: Carlson, Mikolay, Chello, Frey, Welsh

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Chairman Carlson welcomed the audience and explained that the Swearing In Ceremony for Officer Sadiev is a short ceremony with a photo opportunity and there will be a brief recess for refreshments directly following the ceremony.

Chief Hutchinson took the floor and addressed the audience. He congratulated Officer Sadiev on completing his field training and officially welcomed him to the department. The Chief explained the protocol regarding the swearing in ceremony. The Chief stated that Officer Sadiev is a fantastic officer. Chief Hutchinson welcomed him to the Guilford Police Department family. The ceremony took place and photographs were taken.

Chairman Carlson addressed the audience stating that there will be a brief recess for refreshments and all were welcome to attend. A short recess took place.

1. Approval of Board of Police Commissioners prior meeting minutes

1.1. Approval of the Board of Police Commissioners meeting minutes of Wednesday, January 16, 2019.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Chello, and seconded by Commissioner Frey, the Commission voted to approve the meeting minutes of Wednesday, January 16, 2019 as presented.

All in favor: Carlson, Mikolay, Chello, Frey, Welsh

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

2. Public Petition and Commentary.

Chairman Carlson addressed the audience. She stated that the meeting will follow the town protocol and each person will be given three minutes to speak. It was agreed.

Mr. Young took the floor. He addressed the Board of Police Commissioners regarding his dog Simon. Chairman Carlson thanked Mr. Young on behalf of the Board of Police Commissioners.

Ms. Mary Jo Puchini took the floor. She addressed the Board of Police Commissioners regarding Simon the dog. Chairman Carlson thanked Ms. Puchini on behalf of the Board Police Commissioners.

Ms. July Haight took the floor. She addressed the Board of Police Commissioners regarding Simon the dog. Chairman Carlson thanked Ms. Haight on behalf of the Board Police Commissioners.

Ms. Tatyana Hristova took the floor. She addressed the Board of Police Commissioners regarding Simon the dog. Chairman Carlson thanked Ms. Hristova on behalf of the Board Police Commissioners.

The audience left the room.

3. Traffic.

3.1. Signage/Traffic Enforcement

3.1.1 2019T3 Soundview Road (across from Algonquin Industries, 129 Soundview Road)-No parking sign request (no documents).

Chief Hutchinson reviewed correspondence received by the Board of Police Commissioners.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Mikolay, and seconded by Commissioner Frey, the Commission voted to approve the addition of a permanent no parking sign across from Algonquin at street number 129 on Soundview Road.

All in favor: Carlson, Mikolay, Chello, Frey, Welsh
Opposed: None
Abstained: None

3.2. Runs/Rides.

3.2.1 2019R5-Run the Gauntlet.

Chief Hutchinson reviewed the request with the Board of Police Commissioners for Run the Gauntlet event. Discussion took place.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Mikolay, and seconded by Commissioner Welsh, the Commission voted to approve request for the Run the Gauntlet on August 18, 2019 as presented.

All in favor: Carlson, Mikolay, Chello, Frey, Welsh
Opposed: None
Abstained: None

3.2.2 Tracy's Run Request.

Chief Hutchinson discussed the request with the Board of Police Commissioners for Tracy's Run 5k. Chief Hutchinson reviewed information regarding reconstruction road work projected with the CT Water Company for Route 146. Details on the dates will follow when they are made available to the Chief of Police. It was discussed and agreed that some charity events that were previously approved may be required to submit alternate routes due to the information regarding the State's forecasted project on Route 146.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Mikolay, and seconded by Commissioner Frey, the Commission voted to approve the request for Tracy's Run 5k on May 25, 2019 with qualified approval, due to the CT Water Company's water main reconstruction on Route 146, requiring an alternate race route in the event the construction conflicts with the presented route.

All in favor: Carlson, Mikolay, Chello, Frey, Welsh
Opposed: None
Abstained: None

4. Committee Reports.

4.1. Facilities/Equipment

4.1.1 Vehicle Transfers

Chief Hutchinson reported on two old fleet vehicles and asked for consideration to turn them over to the Town. Discussion took place. It was agreed.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Chello, and seconded by Commissioner Frey, the Commission voted to turn over the described vehicles to the Town.

All in favor: Carlson, Mikolay, Chello, Frey, Welsh

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Chairman Carlson addressed two audience members who arrived. She welcomed them and explained that they missed the Public Petition and Commentary. Chairman Carlson said she would accommodate the members of the audience at the end of the Agenda. It was agreed.

4.1.2 HVAC bid (no documents).

Deputy Chief Hyatt reviewed the bid for the HVAC system. A recent walk through took place with seven vendors. Discussion took place.

4.2. Personnel

4.2.1 Swearing In Ceremony-Officer Sadiev.

The Swearing In Ceremony was moved up the Agenda.

4.2.2 Employee Excellence Award-Elizabeth Spinnato.

Chief Hutchinson reported that the staff recognized Mrs. Spinnato with an Employee Excellence Award because she was taxed with extra work due to the absence of another Records Clerk. The Police Commissioners recognized her for her excellence.

4.3. Communications

4.3.1 Communication received-Special Olympics thanking Chief Hutchinson, Deputy Chief Hyatt, Lieutenant Bernier and Detective Morrell.

Chairman Carlson summarized correspondence received from Special Olympics thanking the department for their participation in the Torch Run and the Looney Dook Plunge. Over \$6,500 was raised for Special Olympics athletes. The Police Commissioners thanked the team for their commitment.

4.3.2 Communication received from Jenn Cruet (Women and Family Life) thanking Sergeant Jakober for a presentation given to the women's group.

Chairman Carlson summarized correspondence sent by Jenn Cruet, Women and Family Life, for a presentation given to the Women Recreating Retirement program by Sergeant Jakober.

4.3.3 Communication received from Youth and Family Services.

Chairman Carlson summarized correspondence received by Lucy Krauchick, Executive Assistant, for the organization and collection of holiday toys. The Annual Toy Drive was very successful. Youth and Family Services and the Youth Board appreciated the generous donations that were distributed to numerous families in Town.

4.3.4 Communication received-Special Olympics-Lieutenant Bernier

Chairman Carlson reported that correspondence was received from Special Olympics announcing that Lieutenant Bernier was selected to receive a Special Olympics Connecticut Unsung Hero Award at their 1st Annual Awards Dinner celebrating their "Game Changers" in March. The Police Commissioners commended Lieutenant Bernier on being selected to receive this prestigious award.

4.4. Budget

4.4.1. Budget report FY18/19

Chief Hutchinson reported on the FY18/19 budget and the budget remains in line.

4.4.2. Budget report FY19/20

Chief Hutchinson reviewed the FY19/20 budget and the attached notes with the Police Commissioners. Discussion took place. There will be a budget meeting at the Community Center on March 5th.

5. Monthly Reports

Chief Hutchinson reviewed the monthly reports. Discussion took place.

6. Old Business

None.

7. New Business

7.1 Regional Accident Reconstruction Team.

Chief Hutchinson requested the consideration of the department participating in a Regional Accident Reconstruction Team, the South Central Connecticut Regional Traffic Unit (SCCRTU). He spoke on the benefits of the Mutual Police Assistance Compact. Discussion took place.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Mikolay, and seconded by Commissioner Frey, the Commission voted to approve the department join the South Central Connecticut Regional Traffic Unit Mutual Police Assistance Compact and with the recommendation to move this forward to the Board of Selectmen for approval.

All in favor: Carlson, Mikolay, Chello, Frey, Welsh
Opposed: None
Abstained: None

7.2 Regional General Services Mutual Police Assistance Compact

Chief Hutchinson requested the consideration of the Regional General Services Mutual Police Assistance Compact which is similar to the SCCRTU Mutual Police Assistance Compact but broader. A review of the benefits of this program for the department took place.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Chello, and seconded by Commissioner Welsh, the Commission voted to recommend the department join the Regional General Services Mutual Police Assistance Compact and to forward this to the Board of Selectmen for approval.

All in favor: Carlson, Mikolay, Chello, Frey, Welsh
Opposed: None
Abstained: None

8. Police Personnel Comments

None.

Chairman Carlson thanked the members of the audience for waiting and opened the floor to them.

Ms. Josephine Golia took the floor. She addressed the Board of Police Commissioners and spoke about Simon the dog. Chairman Carlson thanked Ms. Golia on behalf of the Board of Police Commissioners.

Ms. Deborah Hearn took the floor. She addressed the board of Police Commissioners and spoke about Simon the dog. Chairman Carlson thanked Ms. Hearn on behalf of the Board of Police Commissioners.

Commissioner Carlson informed the audience that the Police Commission would not be answering questions on the matter. Commissioner Carlson was asked if the Board of Police Commissioners makes the decision on this issue and she replied that they do not.

The members of the audience left the room at this time.

9. Executive Session

None.

Chairman Carlson asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Upon a motion by Commissioner Mikolay, and seconded by Commissioner Frey, the Commission voted to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:35 PM.

All in favor: Carlson, Mikolay, Chello, Frey, Welsh

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Respectfully submitted,

*Lucy Krauchick
Clerk of the Board*

APPROVED