

Town of Auburn
AUBURN POLICE COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
September 1, 2015

Present: David Dion, Police Commissioner, Glenn Shaw, Police Commissioner, Ken Robinson, Police Commissioner, Chief Edward Picard, Captain Gary Bartis and Lillian Deeb, Office Manager.

Also Present: John Rolfe, Mike Dross, Linda Dross, Bill Herman, Steve Grange, Dale Phillips, Karen Norris, Scott Norris, Brad Sargent, Tom Gonyea and Greg Santuccio

D. Dion – calls the meeting to order at 7:02 pm commenting those attending and familiar with exits and asks clear exit doorway of chairs.

REVIEW THE MINUTES

G. Shaw – motion to accept August 4, 2015 minutes. **D. Dion** - second. **K. Robinson** – abstains. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

REVIEW BILLS AND CORRESPONDENCE

D. Dion – comments there are no bills or correspondence.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH UPDATE

D. Dion – comments on having seen update from Cloutiers regarding Facebook. **S. Grange** – responds about notice he received from Cloutiers that they are forgoing Mailchimp and email, looking to use Facebook communication, however some concerns were raised with members and as a leader he plans to continue to use email notification. **D. Dion** – comments he himself doesn't have Facebook. **S. Grange** – comments a member had voiced concerns that Facebook is out there for anyone to just view. **D. Dion** – suggests setting up a meeting with leaders to meet with Chief and discuss concerns and future plans of NW.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief – reiterate the importance of the NW and success of the program. He further comments on a call this morning off Dechences Rd where much of the department responded to suspicious red pick-up, indicating subject was located and arrested. Manchester Water Works provided assistance via boat in locating the suspect along with a half dozen other officers from Manchester Police. **D. Dion** – asks for clarification. **G. Bartis** – clarifies some of what transpired. **Chief** – comments on the number of calls that department took this month and its increase. He also mentions the Discovery Channel Cold Case had a crew out to film explaining it was related to the Jodoin case and suggests the Police Commission recognize Officer Bill Barry's part in solving that case. Chief further comments on Law Enforcement Narcan training courses he has looked into commenting he will be attending. **D. Dion** – asks if this training is informational on the uses and dangers and the like. **Chief** – affirms commenting the

department is in the business of saving lives and this will give us a better perspective whether we should jump aboard carrying narcan. **D. Dion** – asks the number of medical calls the department has been on that would require the use of Narcan. **Chief** - comments there has been a number of calls and Auburn has a full time fire department but after hours it reverts to on-call and many of the times the police are the first responders. **D. Dion** – recommends attending and reporting back to the commissioners the financial impact on training and equipment. **Chief** – comment expecting to get those answers at the meeting, further commenting the guys have been doing a great job and things have been pretty busy, especially on weekends and now that school is back in session be more vigilant for possibility of burglaries. He comments the department has been receiving an increased number of calls reporting speeding on Wilson Crossing and Chester Rd which is newly paved. Commenting it's a genuine concern and department is trying to address those concerns with directed patrols. **D. Dion** – asked if his request for radar patrols took place after the last meeting. **Chief** – comments the radar trailer has been giving the department stats and comments on results of the new hands free law. **D. Dion** – asks if the department was able to get officers out in the areas callers raised concern about. **G. Bartis** – comments stationary radar was run on Rockingham Rd and Chester Rd. Wilson Crossing and Steam Mill have also had stationary radar run. Bartis further comments spoke to Mr. Dross earlier this evening about Hills Road becoming a cut though, like Steam Mill is from the Chester line and plans on updating for during the presentation of his report. **Chief** – clarifies about the portable speed bumps. **D. Dion** – asks Chief to look into the costs as that can save man power time.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT

G. Bartis – comments he himself was up on Steam Mill a few mornings but the average speed was 36 MPH. He further comments after talking with Ray and Lil the radar trailer is down for repair and hope to have it operational again and place it up on Hills Road to get some data. **D. Dion** – asked if department has someone to repair or the parts. **G. Bartis** – comments the department is working on getting it back out there.

OLD BUSINESS

D. Dion – comments next on agenda is budget discussions and asks if Lil is familiar with the figures asking if there is a surplus in any particular lines. **L. Deeb** – comments not particularly, commenting further at this point in time opted not to move forward with the new radar grant. **D. Dion** – reviews the current expenditure form and comments maybe this year won't be able to afford anything additional and explains to Commissioner Robinson who has been absent from the last few meetings the department was indicating if there were monies available would purchase an additional radio rather than budget for in 2016. **L. Deeb** – reminds the commission that in 2016 the full annual salary of the new full-time officer would be realized. **G. Shaw** – asks were this leave the department. **D. Dion** – explains Chief has always met his budget but the department won't be swimming in surplus, and comments on the K-9 and were things stand with timing. **L. Deeb** – comments on the computer line and the prices being quoted for service and maintenance for next year, expecting to see an increase in that line. **Chief** – comments on results of the investigation related to the computer incident this past spring and restitution. **L. Deeb** – comments on the insurance claim and what to expect in the future.

Chief – comments on the workshop the commission historically schedules to discuss the budget. **G. Shaw** – asks with the budget the way it is to date how “does the Narcan training play into that”? **L. Deeb** – comments funding remains in the training line. **G. Shaw** – asks if there is grant funding out there because this is an epidemic. **Chief** – comments to the negative but that officers put off training in anticipating of going to some sort of Narcan training. **D. Dion** – asked Lil to check the figures in the training line as they don’t seem to add up. **L. Deeb** – comment she will check with Adele as it might be an amount out of an incorrect line.

NEW BUSINESS

D. Dion – comments next on the agenda is employee evaluations. **G. Shaw** - motion to accept the satisfactory evaluation of Officer Scott Rogers and award him the appropriate STEP increase from Labor Grade 6, Step 11 to Step 12. **D. Dion** – second. All in favor. **Motion passes.** **G. Shaw** - motion to accept the satisfactory evaluation of Sgt. Daniel Goonan and award him the appropriate STEP increase from Labor Grade 11, Step 8 to Step 9. **D. Dion** – second. All in favor. **Motion passes.** **D. Dion** – comments the Chief is up for an evaluation and the commission with be working on that in the near future.

G. Shaw - Motion to adjourn. **K. Robinson** – seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

Meeting closed at 7:29 pm.

Minutes approved by _____ on _____.