

Town of Auburn
AUBURN POLICE COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
April 3, 2018

Present: David Dion, Police Commissioner, Dennis McCarthy, Police Commissioner, Michael Rolfe, Police Commissioner, Chief Edward Picard, Lt. Ray Pelton, and Lillian Deeb, Office Manager.

Also Present: Steve Grange, Mike DiPietro, John Rolfe, Christine McLaughlin, Marion Miller, Paula Marzloff, Glenn Shaw, Susan Thibault, Norma Picard, Julie Demers, Matt Demers, Dennis Vieira, Pauline Vieira, Mike Dross, Linda Dross, Jill Dross, Shawn Whalen, Don Gates, Kevin Cashman, Chris Beaulé, and Officer Huard.

D. Dion – called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. He asks everyone to stand and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Dion – takes the time to thank Glenn Shaw for serving as Police Commissioner for the past three years and welcomes Michael Rolfe newly elected Police Commissioner.

NOMINATE CHAIRPERSON

D. McCarthy – nominates Dave Dion as chairperson, commenting on the good job he has done over his years of service. **M. Rolfe** – second. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

REVIEW THE March 6, 2018 MINUTES

D. McCarthy - motion to accept the minutes as presented. – **D. Dion** - second. **M. Rolfe** – abstained. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief – comments on the 763 calls for service for the month of March, 6 arrests and 0 burglaries. He mentions the AVS safety evacuation drill has been rescheduled till September.

D. Dion – clarifies that it will be in the new school year. **Chief** – mentions the Drug Take Back events scheduled for April 28th at the Auburn Safety Complex from 9 am to 2 pm. He also mentions the vandalism calls in and around the area of Pasture Road and Hooksett Road. And mentions the 5 or so cars broken into in the area of Spruce and Buttonwood, commenting a notification went out to NW.

LIEUTENANT'S REPORT

R. Pelton – comments half of the department has completed Simulation Firearm Training and the other half is scheduled for tomorrow at the Police Academy as part of the department's required Use of Force training. He comments again on the pistol transition, commenting qualifications didn't occur in March due to the weather and the plan is to schedule recertification on new ones in April. He updates the commissioners that the County turned on the new antenna system, mentioning that although county said there shouldn't be any issues the department was finding problems and had to pay to have the portable radios reprogrammed and have software updated and in addition has scheduled to reprogram the cruiser radios as well.

D. Dion – asked if the department is bringing them up to that place up North. **R. Pelton** - comments one cruiser radio was brought up to Ossipee and explains that now Ossipee Mountain Electronics is now going to come to the department to reprogram the other cruiser radios. **D. McCarthy** – clarifies the department is paying for the reprogramming. **R. Pelton** – confirms. **D. Dion** – comments on cost of getting vehicles to Ossipee. **R. Pelton** – mentions the department is having them come to the department and the radio that were reprogrammed are noticeably improved. He also mentions discussions with town related to upgrading the computers in the cruisers as many of the ones in the cruisers now are outdated and unable to be updated with software or aircards. **D. Dion** – mentions that the Toughbooks are at least 8 years old. **R. Pelton** – mentions the department's plan is to look to see how current budget spending continues and look to begin a possible maintenance plan for this year and moving forward. **D. McCarthy** – asks if funds were budgeted this year and mentions the funds in the computer line presently. **D. Dion** – asks about grant funding. **R. Pelton** – comments grants are usually set aside to purchase new equipment and not to replace existing equipment but will look into it. **D. Dion** – clarifies that the department is going to look into pricing and then move forward to replace them over time. **R. Pelton** – confirms and explains cost. **D. McCarthy** – questions whether the department plans on staying with the Toughbook. **R. Pelton** – explains the officers are leaning towards the type that disconnects from keyboard. **D. Dion** -asks which brand the department is looking at. **L. Deeb** – PC something. **D. Dion** – comments that will be a good project during the summer. **R. Pelton** – comments on the Health Fair this Friday at the Auburn Village School, mentioning Officer Beaulieu will be participating with a LEAD table and Officer Lentile and Kapos with OHRV safety. He mentions that two new cruisers are in and the department will be looking to outfit them over the next month. He mentions the Town is looking to auction off the old cruisers.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH UPDATE

S. Grange – comments the Nixle notification the members received related to the recent vehicle break-ins. He comments on the training scheduled for the Everbridge system is soon. **L. Deeb** – comments on checking with the Fire Chief to confirm training dates. **D. Dion** – comments about some neighborhood watch signs that were removed in his neighborhood and asks if Mr. Grange is aware of any members or neighborhoods needing signs. **M. DiPietro** – requested a sign on Bunker Hill Rd. **D. Dion** – comments the department can inventory what it has for signs and asks Mr. Grange if he needs any signs. He also asks Mr. Dross if he's put any signs up recently. **M. Dross** – comments on not having put any signs up recently, explaining Officer Kapos has been installing signs for department. **M. Rolfe** – asked if signs were pulled out or run over. **D. Dion** – comments the signs were pulled up. **S. Grange** – mentions seeing the Crier notice about becoming a NW member and comments again how easy the commitment really is to become involved. **D. Dion** – mentions that separate advertisement and comments it's continued notice in Crier.

OLD BUSINESS

D. Dion – reviews the 2018 budget figures. **L. Deeb** – comments the figures are up to date till March 28, 2018. **D. McCarthy** – comments that the elevated numbered lines appear to be the ones such as radio and computer which reflects what the lieutenant spoke was occurring at the department. **D. Dion** – mentions subscriptions mentioning many are annual. **L. Deeb** – mentions the computer line expenditure mentioning a large portion goes to the IMC annual license paid in January. **D. McCarthy** - comments overall budget is where it needs to be.

NEW BUSINESS

D. Dion – asks if there is anything the residents have for new business. **M. Rolfe** – comments items he would like to address. He comments he would like to see random alcohol and drug testing policy implemented. He also comments he would like to see GPS put in all the cars and comments he would like to see “that gone” and points at the video camera. He mentions he checked on it and there were 38 hits on the site, 27 in February and 60 in January. **D. Dion** – reviews the requests that Commissioner Rolfe just outlines, clarifying GPS on all police vehicles, and the YouTube. **M. Rolfe** – comments he would like to see a clean copy of the Tideview Report distributed to the public and mentions that will be enough for now. **D. McCarthy** – comments he agrees on a few of the items Commissioner Rolfe raised, mentioning drug and alcohol testing would have to be part of union negotiations and questions when the contact is up. **L. Deeb** – comments March 2019. **D. Dion** – comments that negotiations should begin in the summer. **M. Rolfe** – comments drug and alcohol testing is done for his commercial license and is fair. **D. Dion** – comments that it’s something to bring up with union. **D. McCarthy** – comments GPS are seen more and more in vehicles and can look into how it’s done in Rye. **L. Deeb** – asks how much something like that costs. **D. McCarthy** – comments these are items Commissioner Rolfe is just raising and cost can be looked at. **D. McCarthy** – comments the GPS operates off the air cards on the computers and most likely is software upgrades. **D. Dion** – ask Commissioner McCarthy what his position is on the video camera. **D. McCarthy** – comments never been fan and numbers don’t show it is a huge use. **D. Dion** – comments feels a benefit for those that can’t make the meeting. **S. Grange** – comments received positive feedback from members that were unable to attend. **D. McCarthy** – mentions the Tideview report is something the Commission will have to discuss now that Mr. Rolfe is a commissioner. **D. Dion** – mentions that will have to be done in non-public. **D. McCarthy** – mentions an item he addressed before dealing with MRI returning to do a final review of the updates the Lieutenant has done on the 111 recommendations. **D. Dion** – clarifies that Commissioner McCarthy wants to pay MRI to review. **D. McCarthy** – explains he will reach out and find out the cost. **D. Dion** – asks if all the town departments will be reviewed. **D. McCarthy** – comments having no issue with that. He further explains to Commissioner Rolfe that he prepares for the discussions next month as his requests will be added to the agenda. **D. Dion** – clarifies that on the next agenda drugs and alcohol will wait for union negotiations, GPS research costs, discuss the video recording of the meeting and vote next meeting and release of the Tideview will be in non-public. He also mentions the review by MRI. **D. McCarthy** – clarifies he will speak to MRI as he is currently working with them and get an idea on the cost and then request it be added to the agenda. **D. Dion** – once more outlines his understanding of what next months agenda will contain. **D. Dion** – asks if there is anything else. **D. McCarthy** – comments on an article in today’s Union Leader about legislature on police details, mentions everyone knows how he feels about details but wanted to compliment the photo with the article of the officer from Auburn following the proper protocol for details. **D. Vieira** – comments knowing someone at Adamson Industries using alarm guys to install GPS and will obtain the number if the commissioners want. **D. Dion** – asks the Lieutenant to look up the numbers for the YouTube views for the meeting next month.

D. Dion - Motion to adjourn. **D. McCarthy** – second. All in favor. **Motion passes**

Meeting closed at 7:27 pm.

Minutes approved by _____ on _____.