

Town of Auburn
AUBURN POLICE COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
November 12, 2019

D. Dion – calls the meeting to order at 6:46 PM

Present: David Dion, Police Commissioner, Michael Rolfe, Police Commissioner, Chief Pelton, Lieutenant Chabot and Lillian Deeb.

Absent: Dennis McCarthy, Police Commissioner

D. Dion - motion to go into non-public pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a) and (c). **M. Rolfe** – seconds and polled the members having received the affirmative from all present. **Motion passes.**

D. Dion – reconvenes public meeting at 7:00

Also present: Steve Grange, NW Leader.

D. Dion –asks everyone to stand and leads the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Dion – motion to seal non-public minutes. **M. Rolfe** – second. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

REVIEW MINUTES

D. Dion - motion to accept the October 8, 2019 non-public minutes as presented. **M. Rolfe** – second. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

D. Dion - motion to accept the October 8, 2019 public minutes as presented. **M. Rolfe** – second. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief – mentions the Department presented it's 2020 budget to the Selectmen and Budget Committee, mentioning the budget passed as presented with the Selectmen reducing it an additional line item at \$420. He mentions the department's annual power point presentation went well. **D. Dion** – clarifies the reduction relates to the pods and the building expansion. **M. Rolfe** – mentions the department requested the \$500 back on fuel line. **Chief** – mentions the 2019 Full-time officer line will be over, commenting the overage pertains to Officer Aku leaving and the payout on accrued earned time. He also mentions the building expansion is moving forward, the drywall is being done and all that's left is drop ceiling, electrical, floors and painting. He comments Mr. Rolfe did the paving and came out awesome. He explains the Selectmen have already given approval for year-ends expenditures of \$2000 for lockers, \$6000 for shelving units, like town office has and two data terminals. He further comments on waiting till closure to the end of the year to incur the expenses of the data terminals. **D. Dion** – clarifies the data terminals are about \$11,000. **Chief** – explains the costs of the terminals being state bid and need to be vendor specific. **D. Dion** – takes the time to mention the normal PC meeting is the

second Tuesday of the month and that next month they will need to make a change rescheduling to the third Tuesday to approve any year end purchases. **Chief** – mentions the department is waiting for the second cruiser to arrive and being told by Ford it should be sometime in November. **D. Dion** – clarifies that vehicle is the 2020 needing new equipment. **Chief** – confirms. He further comments on the recent community events the Department had or has going on. He mentions the Citizen's Academy wrapped up and was huge success, commenting received great feedback from the attendees and plans for improvement for next years academy are being implemented. He explains expecting to accommodate more to attend and may likely do a lottery or something similar but plans to figure out. **D. Dion** – asked if Officer Beaulieu will continue this program. **Chief** – explains that every full-time officer participated giving and gave a block of instruction. He mentions Trunk or Treat put on by Parks and Rec and what a great job they did, mentioning the Police Association needs to work on cooking French fries in the cold. He mentions the Drug Take Back program done with DEA, commenting Auburn collected 62 lbs. of prescription drugs. He mentions the biggest event the department has going now is the Giving Tree, Melissa has organized which helps needy families in town. **D. Dion** – comments recalling this event is always a busy time at the PD.

LIEUTENANT'S REPORT

C. Chabot – comments Beards for Bucks was a huge success for the Child Advocacy Center and the PD raised in excess of its goal of \$1000. **D. Dion** – clarified this amount was over and about the monies budgeted every year. **C. Chabot** – affirms and mentions the Beards for Bucks overall in NH raised over \$100,000. He further mentions the 1085 calls for service for the month, 4 arrests, 20 incident reports and 196 car stops. He mentions an overdose case in which Narcan was used and comments on the car crash on Pingree Hill Road in which residents helped extricate occupants when vehicle was engulfed in flames before rescue arrived on scene. He further comments the accident remains under investigation. **D. Dion** – comments the accident looked serious on news.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH UPDATE

D. Dion – asks Mr. Grange if the Cloutiers are still actively posting on NW. **S. Grange** – mentions seeing an email that Carol was going to continue to post. **D. Dion** – comments on reaching out to them directly. **S. Grange** – mentions again trying to have a meeting with the leaders in the future. He mentions it's been quiet with burglaries but suggested brainstorming about how to reach new town residents. **D. Dion** – mentions the ad in Crier about joining the Neighborhood Watch and suggests having Melissa re-work the ad. **S. Grange** – suggest contacting some local relators. **Chief** – thanks Mr. Grange for attending the Citizen's Academy. **S. Grange** – comments absolutely enjoyed and would highly recommend. He would consider taking it again.

OLD BUSINESS

D. Dion – comments this was addressed during the Chief's report. **Chief** – mentions the shelving and lockers have been ordered. **L. Deeb** – comments the lockers needed payment before shipment and invoice was submitted. She mentions the shelving vendor knows we need to be invoiced before 2020. **Chief** – mentions the shelves are customized and this will take some time.

NEW BUSINESS

D. Dion – comments evaluations are next on the agenda and takes a moment to read. **Chief** – comments that Officer Lombardo's full-time and not up for increase but with the new evaluation process is up for review. **M. Rolfe** – motions to accept the satisfactory evaluation of Officer Anita Lombardo. **D. Dion** - second. All in Favor. **Motion passes.**

M. Rolfe – motions to accept the satisfactory evaluation of Lt. Charles Chabot and award him a step increase from Labor Grade 17, Step 17 to Step 18. **D. Dion** – second. All in Favor. **Motion passes.**

D. Dion - motion to adjourn at 7:19 PM. **M. Rolfe** - second. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

Meeting closed at 7:19 pm.

Minutes approved by _____ on _____.