

Town of Auburn
AUBURN POLICE COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
December 17, 2019

D. Dion – calls the meeting to order at 6:45 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 6:59

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

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

REVIEW MINUTES

M. Rolfe - motion to accept the November 12, 2019 non-public minutes as presented. **D. Dion** – second. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

M. Rolfe - motion to accept the November 12, 2019 public minutes as presented. **D. Dion** – second. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief – mentions the outpouring and success of the Giving Tree, commenting everyone is very appreciative. He mentions the 2nd annual Santa Parade took place on Sunday. **D. Dion** – mentions seeing it. **M. Rolfe** – said he heard it. **Chief** – comments on the meeting this Friday with town and Primex about a pilot project the Department is participating in related to computer hacking. **D. Dion** – mentions the insurance costs associated with computer hacks. **Chief** – comments the building addition is complete and looks great. **D. Dion** – comments wanting to publicly thank Rick Eaton for the hard work he did on getting this project done. **Chief** – mentions the department is organizing and moving into the new space and comments should be done in the next week or so. He also clarifies a statement from last month's meeting about Mr. Rolfe paving, commenting Rolfe Construction did the site work and Advanced Paving, paved the storage area and parking lot area around site work. **D. Dion** – comments great job especially so late in the season. **Chief** – updates the commissioners on the budget, mentioning the full-time line will be over because there has been less reliance on the part-time line and the payout which occurred when an officer left employment, of his earned and comp time. He further comments the department continues to look to purchase the two data terminals the commissioners approved the purchase of but mentions the department is going to wait to make sure budget is not overspent. He also mentions the production issue with the cruiser that was

ordered, mentioning Ford said it won't be in till February and comments he has spoken to Bill Herman and Selectmen will be encumbering 2019 funds. **D. Dion** – clarifies there will be no impact on 2020 budget. **Chief** – comments it will be like the cruiser was received in 2019.

LIEUTENANT'S REPORT

C. Chabot – comments on the 962 calls for service for the month, mentioning the 261-motor vehicle stops, most of which were for speed. He comments on the 17 arrest, commenting 11 were protective custody cases related to underage drinking party. He comments on the November 10th shooting call and explains the circumstances. He mentions the Duncan Donut burglary, mentioning working with other agencies and expect a successful resolution. **M. Rolfe** – asks the Chief if there is a concern about cruiser shortage waiting on delivery. **Chief** – comments negative.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH UPDATE

D. Dion – nothing tonight.

OLD BUSINESS

D. Dion – comments the commission discussed hiring the department's candidate for the part-time officer position and motions to hire Chance Spinney at \$19.60 per hour at Grade 6 Step 7. **M. Rolfe** – seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

NEW BUSINESS

D. Dion – asks if Mr. Rolfe wants to address the Chief's annual evaluation next. **M. Rolfe** – comments on waiting to see if Commissioner McCarthy will make the meeting. **D. Dion** – suggests moving to the next evaluation for Gary Bartis. He quickly reads notes on evaluation, commenting very nice review to Lt.

Present: Dennis McCarthy, Police Commissioner arrived at 7:10 PM.

D. McCarthy – motions to accept the satisfactory evaluation of Gary Bartis and award him a step increase from Labor Grade 6, Step 14 to Step 15. **M. Rolfe** – second. All in Favor. **Motion passes.**

D. Dion – mentions before going back into non-public to discuss the Chief's evaluation, he swears in Chance Spinney, so family doesn't have to wait.

D. Dion – motions to return into non-public at 7:14 pm. **M. Rolfe** – seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

D. Dion – mentions return back into public meeting and seal minutes. **M. Rolfe** – second. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

M. Rolfe – Motion to approve Step increase for Chief Pelton from Step 16 to Step 17. **D. Dion** – second. All in Favor. **Motion passes**

D. Dion - motion to adjourn at 7:21 PM. **M. Rolfe** - second. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

Meeting closed at 7:21 pm.

Minutes approved by _____ on _____.