POLICE COMMISSION MEETING AMENDED-SUBJECT TO APPROVAL APRIL 8, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Police Commission was called to order by Chairman Cosgrove, at 7:00 pm in the Police Department Training Room of the Simsbury Town Offices. Present were Commissioner Michael Long, Commissioner Terry Fogarty, Commissioner James Fleming, Chief Nicholas Boulter, and Lt. Thomas Sheehan.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Fogarty read the summary of letters received since the last meeting of the Commission on March 11, 2019.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

After a motion was made by Commissioner Fleming and seconded by Commissioner Fogarty, it was unanimously:

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the March 11, 2019 Meeting.

5. PUBLIC AUDIENCE

Joan Coe, 26 Whitcomb Dr, attended the February 11, 2019 Board of Selectman meeting where it was voted to charge to the town sponsored rate for private duty police officers at the Simsbury Meadows Performing Art Center. She believes this is wrong since they are a private organization. She believes this reduces police department revenue and causes the taxpayers to help a private business. Ms. Coe also expressed that the overtime budget for the police department should not be reduced but increased and any amount not used in the fiscal year should be returned to the general fund. Overtime is needed for proper training and to protect the town.

6. OLD BUSINESS

From Chief Boulter:

- In overtime year to year the non-supervisory shifts are down 36%, supervisory shifts are up 14% due to vacations and dispatch is down 8%.
- Currently 2 officers are in the academy and 2 are still out on injury. Overall sick leave is up from last year.
- Overtime is projected to be over budget by \$25,000 at end of fiscal year which will be covered by vacancy salaries from the beginning of the year.
- The only change to the proposed budget from the last meeting is that the annual vehicle purchases will be added to the operating budget instead of a capital non-reoccurring request. The budget will be reviewed at the April 23, 2019 Board of Finance meeting.

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7. REPORTS

- Chairman's Report None
- Chief's Report
 - The grant for distracted driving enforcement is being used this month and is focusing on areas identified as high accident locations.
 - Simsbury Women's Club is giving us a donation tomorrow.
 - Cadets were very helpful at the shredding event on April 6. Many residents participated in the event.
 - Investigation is ongoing for the prostitution case.
- Consolidated Monthly Report for February, 2019 No significant issues were noted.

8. NEW BUSINESS

The Chief announced 2 upcoming Special Olympic events.

- Chili's Tip-a-Cop night on May 3
- The Torch Run on June 6

SRO Jeremy Cormier will be returning to patrol in the end of June after doing an incredible job at the high school for the past 3 ½ years. The Department is looking to fill the position soon to allow for a smooth transition.

Commissioner Long commented that he had previously requested the private duty billing revision be tabled for the Board of Selectman meeting. The Chief is working on the details about which events will be charged the reduced rate.

At 7:28 pm, Chairman Cosgrove made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session for a discussion of personnel matters. It was seconded by Commissioner Fogarty. All were in favor and the motion passed.

At 8:06 pm, Commissioner Long made a motion to come out of Executive Session. It was seconded by Commissioner Fogarty. All were in favor and the motion passed.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Long made motion to adjourn at 8:08 pm, seconded by Commissioner Fogarty. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Cosgrove, Chairman

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