

**POLICE COMMISSION MEETING  
DECEMBER 9, 2019**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Police Commission was called to order by Chairman Cosgrove at 7:02 pm in the Police Department Training Room of the Simsbury Town Offices. Present were Commissioner Michael Long, Commissioner James Fleming, Commissioner Terry Fogarty, Commissioner Jenna Caulfield, Chief Nicholas Boulter, Lt. Fred Sifodaskalakis 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 October 16, 2019.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

After a motion was made by Commissioner Fleming and seconded by Commissioner Fogarty, it was unanimous with Commissioner Long abstaining.

**VOTED:** To approve the minutes of the November 13, 2019 Regular Meeting.

After a motion was made by Commissioner Fleming and seconded by Commissioner Long, it was unanimous:

**VOTED:** To approve the minutes of the November 25, 2019 Special Meeting.

**5. PUBLIC AUDIENCE**

Patricia Snediker and Kirk Thornton, 91 Stratton Forest Way, read a statement to Commission members concerning the death of their sister Karen Graham.

After a motion was made by Commissioner Fleming and seconded by Commissioner Long, it was unanimous.

**VOTED:** To move Item 10 up on the agenda before Item 6.

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Police Candidate Approval**

Lt. Sifodaskalakis gave a brief overview of Simsbury's police candidate Corey Thomas.

Police candidate Corey Thomas discussed why he would like to work for the Simsbury Police Department and answered questions from Commission members.

Chief Boulter briefly explained the interview process for Corey Thomas and noted why he thought he would be a good fit for the Simsbury Police Department.

After a motion was made by Commissioner Fleming and seconded by Commissioner Long, it was unanimous.

**VOTED:** To approve the hiring of police candidate Corey Thomas.

**6. COYOTE PRESENTATION (ACO Mark Rudewicz)**

ACO Mark Rudewicz discussed the population of coyotes in Simsbury and some ways to help decrease this population and potential issues with coyotes. He believes the best options would be educating residents and speaking with students and teachers in the schools.

**7. CITIZEN COMPLAINT AND POTENTIAL ACTION ON DISCUSSION (Snediker)**

Chairman Cosgrove confirmed that all members had read the report that was made available in Chief Boulter's office on this complaint. All Commission members briefly discussed the complaint and potential action.

All Commission members agreed that the investigation was adequate and no further investigation is needed.

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**9. REPORTS**

- **Chairman's Report**  
None

- **Chief's Report**

**CALEA:**

- Lt. Sifodaskalakis and PFC Dunne attended a CALEA conference in Kentucky. They received a few days of good training. Lt. Sifodaskalakis has officially taken the position of Accreditation manager.

**Budget:**

- Commissioner's packets include several personnel options for next year's budget.

**Personnel update:**

- Connor Arnold is doing well in field training. He is expected to complete the field training program in February.
- Still have two officers out on non-work related injury. One is expected back by mid to late December and the other is unknown.

**Donations:**

- Jim and Pauline Salter made a donation of \$100.00 to the Police Department.
- Lois and Deena Martinelli donated \$50.00 to the Heroes and Hounds program

- **Consolidated Monthly Report for August, 2019**

- Nothing discussed but information was included in Commissioner's packets.

After a motion was made by Commissioner Fogarty and seconded by Commissioner Caulfield, it was unanimous.

**VOTED:** To approve the meeting dates for the Police Commission for 2020 calendar.

Chief Boulter and Commission members briefly discussed the 2020 Budget hiring options in their packets.

After a motion was made by Commissioner Caulfield and seconded by Commissioner Fogarty, it was unanimous.

**VOTED:** To endorse Personnel Option #2 for the 2020 Budget to the Board of Finance.

**11. POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING –**

- a. Personnel
- b. Pending Litigation

No Executive Session was needed.

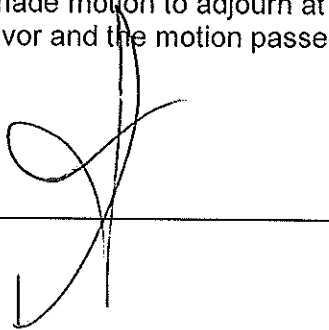
**12. ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Long made motion to adjourn at 8:26 pm, seconded by Commissioner Fogarty. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Edward Cosgrove, Chairman

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