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POLICE COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 11, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Police Commission was called to order at 7:02 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room of the Simsbury Town Offices. Present were Chairman Michael Long, Commissioner Edward Cosgrove, Commissioner Carl Eisenmann, Commissioner Harvey Goodfriend, Commissioner Brendan Walsh, Chief Peter Ingvertsen and Lieutenant Fred Sifodaskalakis.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Walsh read the Summary of Letters received since the last Regular Meeting of the Commission on March 14, 2011. (Addendum 1)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Goodfriend made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Walsh and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2011 Regular Meeting. (Addendum 2)

4. PUBLIC AUDIENCE

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

5. OLD BUSINESS

The Chief updated the Commission on the following:

- The condition and expected return of the Department's injured officer was provided by the Chief.
- The Chief reported that the officer who was out on an extended sick leave would be released to return to full duty April 13th.

Commissioner Goodfriend asked if the Town could recover the wages that have been paid out to make the injured officer whole since his accident. The Chief indicated that he would investigate with the Town Attorney the possibility of recovering those funds.

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

The Chief made a recommendation to the Commission that PFC James Polomsky be promoted to the rank of Sergeant. He then provided the Commission with a profile of PFC Polomsky's background and accomplishments.

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Commissioner Goodfriend made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cosgrove and passed unanimously to accept the Chief's recommendation and approve the promotion of PFC Polomsky to the rank of Sergeant.

The Commission congratulated PFC Polomsky. The Chief told the Commission that they would be notified as soon as the date and time of the swearing-in ceremony was determined.

7. REPORTS

a. Chairman's Report

Chairman Long shared with the Commission that Commissioner Walsh had recently been promoted to the position of President and CEO of Ensign-Bickford Aerospace and Defense and asked that the Commission congratulate him on the accomplishment.

b. Chief's Report

Chief Ingvertsen reported the following:

- The eleventh annual Citizen's Police Academy graduation and awards banquet will be held on Thursday, April 21st at LaTrattoria in Canton. The Commissioners were invited to attend.
- One of the Department's Patrol Sergeants has been offered a position as the Communications Supervisor for the Manchester Police

Department. If he chooses to take the position he will retire from Simsbury in May. The process to fill the vacant certified officer position that would result from the retirement has begun.

- The Department's newest officer's field training has been going very well and is expected to be complete in eight weeks instead of ten.
- The Chief and the Commission discussed the possibility of resurrecting the position of Supernumerary Police Officer. The Commission expressed concerns about the liability involved because the Supernumerary Officer would be armed and would have the powers of arrest.

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c. Consolidated Monthly Report for February 2011 (Addendum 3)

Commissioner Walsh identified that larcenies were down from last year. Lieutenant Sifodaskalakis noted that during this same period in 2010 there had been a rash of motor vehicle break-ins.

Chairman Long inquired as to how long it has been since the last motor vehicle fatality occurred in Town. The Chief responded that it was approximately 3 years ago. He also mentioned that traffic stops and motor vehicle violations may be down because the visibility of the dedicated Traffic Officer acts as an effective deterrent.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Long indicated that he would not be able to attend the Citizens Police Academy graduation and awards dinner.

The Chief provided the Commission with an update on the Accreditation process and invited them to attend the Public Hearing on Monday, April 18th at 4:30.

Chief Ingvertsen notified the Commission that they would all receive copies

of the Department's updated General Orders on a CD.

Upon Commissioner Cosgrove's request the Chief provided the Commission with an update on the purchase of bulletproof vests for the department.

9. AJOURNMENT

Commissioner Cosgrove made motion to adjourn at 7:45 P.M. Commissioner Goodfriend seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Michael T. Long, Chairman

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