

**POLICE COMMISSION
SUBJECT TO APPROVAL
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 11, 2017**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Police Commission was called to order at 7:05 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room of the Simsbury Town Offices. Present were Commissioner Michael Long, Commissioner Edward Cosgrove, Commissioner Peter Tedone, Chief Peter Ingvertsen, Captain Nicholas Boulter and Lt. Fred Sifodaskalakakis. Chairman James Fleming and Commissioner Brendan Walsh were not in attendance.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Tedone read the Summary of Letters received since the last Regular Meeting of the Commission on June 12, 2017.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Tedone made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2017 Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Tedone made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the July 24, 2017 Special Meeting.

Commissioner Long made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Tedone and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2017 Special Meeting.

5. PUBLIC AUDIENCE

none

6. OLD BUSINESS

The Chief provided the Commission with a final report regarding an officer that was recently released by the Department after an over six month continuous non-work related medical absence.

The Chief notified the Commission that the police officer candidate that had been tentatively approved by them did not satisfactorily pass the Background Investigation.

7. REPORTS

a. Chairman's Report

None

b. Chief's Report

Chief Ingvertsen reported the following:

- The Chief, Captain and Lt. attended the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association Annual Meeting on June 15th.
- The Chief met with a Special Agent from the Supreme Court Police on June 20th.
- The Talcott Mountain Music Festival series was a success, weather and attendance was very good. All other concerts this summer had no reported problems.
- The Chief has been an active participant in the ***Evaluation of Needs and Concerns*** process for the upcoming Town Manager position. This included conference calls with a consultant and department head meetings.
- The Chief, Captain, Lt. and PFC Dunne attended the CALEA Conference in Providence RI where the Department was awarded its 3rd CALEA Accreditation.
- The Junior Police Academy took place from July 31st through August 4th, was filled to capacity and had a very good week.
- The Department's newest Probationary Police Officer was sworn in on August 1st and entered the Police Academy on October 6th.
- Sgt. Sheehan graduated from the Command Officers Development Course on August 18th and the Chief and Lt. attended the graduation. This is a challenging 10 week course which focuses on practical law enforcement administration and provides a comprehensive overview of management practices.
- The Department's new Public Safety Dispatcher was hired on August 22nd and is doing very well.
- The Sr. Picnic was held on September 6th and was a success even though the weather was not the best.
- On September 8th 6 members of the Department participate in the ***Over The Edge*** event at the Mohegan Sun Casino. The event raised over \$5,000. for CT Special Olympics.
- After the failure of two potential hires during the background process we are continuing our search to fill our vacant position. The Department will be looking at both certified and uncertified candidates.

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- The Department's most recent POST attendee recently returned to the Department and is currently in Field Training. He will need to return to the Academy for a week at the end of October to successfully complete his Firearms Qualification and Proficiencies.
- The IBPO tentative Collective Bargaining Agreement has been accepted by the union and will be voted on by the Board of Selectmen at tonight's meeting.
- Officer Laurel Harrington attended the National Special Olympics Convention in Nashville on September 21st through the 23rd. She represented both the Department and the State of CT.
- On October 29th the Department will be participating in an event called ***Dueling Cop On Top*** at Simsbury Commons from 9AM to 4PM. The event will raise money for CT Special Olympics. It is a family oriented event that will involve both the Simsbury and Avon Police and Fire Departments. We are currently in 11th place for most money raised by law enforcement in the state.
- On October 15th the members of the IBPO will be holding a charity car and bike show ***Cruisin' with the Cops*** on Iron Horse Blvd. from 10AM to 3PM.
- Per instruction from the First Selectwoman all Town budgets have been frozen pending approval of the State's budget. Any non-critical purchases will need to be approved by the First Selectwoman and/or Finance Director.
- The Chief provided the Commission with an update on the Department's year-to-date overtime costs and measures that he will soon be putting into place to reduce future overtime expenses.
- The Department's Records Department has changed their public hours to 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM.

c. Consolidated Monthly Report for May, June, July and August 2017

No issues were noted.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Long provided the Commission with information on an email Internet ***Phishing*** scheme that he had recently been exposed to via his email account.

9. AJOURNMENT

Commissioner Tedone made motion to adjourn at 7:50 P.M. Commissioner Long seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

James Fleming, Chairman

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