



Town of Simsbury

933 HOPMEADOW STREET

SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT 06070

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POLICE COMMISSION – REGULAR MEETING

Monday, April 12, 2021

7:00 PM

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **CORRESPONDENCE**
4. **PUBLIC AUDIENCE** – Public comments will be received through e-mail at ebutler@simsbury-ct.gov until 12:00 PM, Monday, April 12, 2021.
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. March 8, 2021 Regular Meeting
6. **OLD BUSINESS**
7. **REPORTS**
 - a. Chairperson's Report
 - b. Chief's Report
 - i. General
 - ii. Consolidated Monthly Report – February 2021
 - iii. Preliminary Monthly Activity Report - March 2021
8. **NEW BUSINESS**
9. **ADJOURNMENT**

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**Police Commission
April 12, 2021
Summary of Letters**

Received From	Officer	Subject
Chief Baldis	Dispatcher Kenney, PFC Gualducci, Sgt. Lessard	The officers were first on the scene of an active house fire. They were able to confirm the house was evacuated and have the residents move their vehicles to clear the area for the fire trucks. This information was invaluable to the fire department; they were able to focus on extinguishing the fire.
Resident	Ofc. Halt	Ofc. Halt responded to the request of a welfare check at the resident's house. She said although she gets nervous around the police, Ofc. Halt made her feel calm and relieved her anxiety.
Resident	Dispatcher Michael, Ofc. Russell, Ofc. Arnold, Sgt. Lessard	There was a medical emergency at the resident's house. Dispatcher Michael assisted the resident with performing CPR on her husband. The officers and sergeant responded on scene and started CPR. The resident was thankful for their efforts with attempting to save her husband. "Simsbury's finest, you have my deepest gratitude."
Resident's Son	Dispatcher Michael, Ofc. Russell, Ofc. Arnold, Sgt. Lessard	The son of the resident noted above wrote in to thank Dispatcher Michael and the responding officers. "The compassion and great work your department did will never be forgotten by me and my family."
Resident	ACO Rudewicz, Ofc. Russell, Sgt. Valko	The resident's dog became trapped in mud during a hike. He attempted to help the dog and became trapped in the mud as well. The responders were courteous, caring and helpful when recovering the man and his dog.

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**POLICE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
SUBJECT TO APPROVAL
MARCH 8, 2021**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Police Commission was called to order by Commissioner Terry Fogarty at 7:01 P.M. via Zoom Meeting. In attendance were Commissioner Travis Schweizer, Commissioner Tenesha Grant, Deputy Chief Chris Davis and Lt. Gregory Samselski.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Fogarty read the summary of letters received since the last meeting of the Commission on February 11, 2021.

4. PUBLIC AUDIENCE

Commissioner Terry Fogarty read an email from Joan Coe, who spoke about the internal investigation that was discussed in the February police commission meeting. She also spoke about her citizen complaint.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

After a motion was made by Commissioner Grant and seconded by Commissioner Schweizer, it was unanimous:

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the February 8, 2021 Regular Meeting.

6. OLD BUSINESS

None

7. REPORTS

a. Chairperson's Report

None

b. Chief's Report

i. General

- Marcus Communication has installed some new radios for the BOE and ambulance service; currently working on police mobile radios. Anticipating completion by the end of spring.

Personnel:

- Ofc. Crowley has completed field training and demonstrated strong investigative abilities, interpersonal skills and writing competence
- Ofc. Popielarczyk began field training and is expected to complete the program in May
- Currently have 1 dispatch and 3 sworn position vacancies; the department is continuing to review applications and interview perspective candidates
- 2 officers are currently out due to a non-work related injury

ii. Consolidated Monthly Report – January 2021

It was noted that 2 vehicles were stolen in January. The department found that many of the vehicles stolen from town are being used in violent crimes. Of the 20 vehicles stolen in 2019, at least 40% are known to have been involved in violent crimes, mostly with firearms.

iii. Preliminary Monthly Activity Report - February 2021

Motor vehicle stops have continuously increased in the prior 3 months

8. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Fogarty requested to gather more information regarding the internal investigation Joan Coe referred to in public audience.

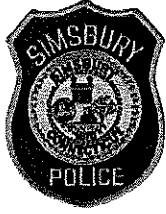
9. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Grant made motion to adjourn at 7:22 P.M., seconded by Commissioner Schweizer. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenna Caulfield, Chairperson

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Simsbury Police Department

933 Hopmeadow Street

Simsbury, CT 06070



NICHOLAS J. BOULTER
CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Simsbury Police Commission
FROM: Nicholas J. Boulter, Chief of Police
DATE: April 9, 2021
SUBJECT: Police Commission Meeting April 12, 2021

AGENDA ITEMS

CHIEF'S REPORT- GENERAL

- **Public Safety Radio System**

Marcus Communication has installed a number of new mobile radios in most of the fleet.

- **Personnel**

We still have 3 sworn vacancies and 1 dispatch vacancy. The Department continues to go through the applications and the interviews processes to fill those positions.

We continue to have members affected by COVID-19. Since the March meeting, one member was diagnosed with COVID and another member was required to quarantine due to a known exposure at work.

We still have two officers out for non-work related injuries. Both are recovering and expected to be back to work in May or June.

- **Distracted Driving Campaign**

We have been participating in the state's distracted driving campaign since the beginning of April and directed enforcement efforts through a grant will continue periodically through the month.

- **CALEA (National Accreditation)**

Assessors from CALEA spent 3 days virtually reviewing our police department for re-accreditation in mid-March. The process involved a review of our documentation that shows compliance with national professional standards over the last 4 years and interviews with members of the department, town leaders and members of the public. Achieving and maintaining national accreditation is credited to the entire department day in and day out, but two members in particular carried us through the virtual review process, Officer Tracy Dunne and Deputy Chief Chris Davis (Accreditation Manager). They coordinated and managed 3 days of public and employee interviews and virtual tours of the police department. Both Kelsey Chamberlain and Officer Laurel Harrington provided significant support over those 3 days. We do not have the results yet of the review, but we expect to be fully re-accredited and enter another 4 year review period.

- **Response to Aggression Incident**

In mid-March, officers were dispatched to the area of 600 Hopmeadow Street for a female in the roadway. She was located on the bike path wielding two large kitchen knives. She pointed the knives at the officers and waved them around. Officers immediately communicated with the female in a calm and clear manner and tried to get her to drop the knives. Another officer held a position on the bike path north of the female in an effort to contain and prevent others from putting themselves in harm's way. The officers considered various responses to aggression/violence if needed, to stop her from harming herself or anyone else. At one point during the communication, the female complied and dropped the knives on the ground and began moving away from them. She then changed her mind and stepped toward the knives and eventually stood on the knives. One officer was able to quietly approach the female while the other officers distracted her. He was able to quickly bear-hug the female and brought her safely to the ground away from the knives.

Scenarios similar to this one, in the sense of the imminent potential for serious physical injury or death to others or to our personnel, can conclude in a peaceful resolution or with injuries/death to one or more. The actions of officers can play a significant role in the outcome. This occurrence could have ended differently had any of our officers made different decisions. Our department needs to be sure that each member is prepared. This preparation is multi-layered. It calls for mental preparation, superior communication and coordination, knowledge, recognition, good decisions, skill in the use of many different responses to aggression or violence, etc. Sgt. Brad Chase, Officers Sam Robbins, Kyle Denalsky and Justin Johnson performed extremely well. They are commended for their professionalism, collaboration, holistic approach, compassion and care.

CHIEF'S REPORT- CONSOLIDATED MONTHLY

- **Motor Vehicle Thefts** – Two more vehicles were stolen from town since the March meeting, bringing the total to 4 this calendar year. They have all been recovered.

CHIEF'S REPORT- PRELIMINARY MONTHLY FOR MARCH 2021

Motor vehicle stops have risen month over month for the last 4 months and we have received a significant amount of complaints about speeding, reckless driving and general traffic violations throughout town.

- **Traffic Enforcement**

December 2020	176
January 2021	223
February 2021	347
March 2021	650

**Simsbury Police Department
Consolidated Monthly Report**

February, 2021

	Period	Period	Increase/	Period	Period	Increase/
Activity	2/1/2021	2/1/2020	(Decrease)	1/1/2021	1/1/2020	(Decrease)
	2/28/2021	2/29/2020		2/28/2021	2/29/2020	
Number of Incidents	4,043	3,761	282	8,311	8,012	299
Criminal Activity						
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	1	-1	0	1	-1
Assault	0	0	0	0	1	-1
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0
Larceny	9	8	1	16	21	-5
MV Theft	0	1	-1	2	1	1
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	9	10	-1	18	24	-6
Arrests (Adult)						
Part I Off	0	0	0	2	3	-1
Part II Off	4	7	-3	7	11	-4
Arrests (Juvenile)						
Part I Off	0	0	0	0	0	0
Part II Off	0	1	-1	0	1	-1
Totals	4	8	-4	9	15	-6
MV Accidents						
Fatal	0	0	0	0	0	0
w/ Injury	3	2	1	5	20	-15
Prop. Damage	20	20	0	39	38	1
Not Investigated	7	10	-3	17	22	-5
Totals	30	32	-2	61	80	-19
Alarms						
Intrusion	16	42	-26	43	79	-36
Fire	15	11	4	27	24	3
Medical	3	6	-3	5	18	-13
Totals	34	59	-25	75	121	-46
Traffic Enforcement						
DUI	0	8	-8	2	11	-9
Summons	16	27	-11	20	60	-40
Written Warning	13	29	-16	32	75	-43
Verbal Warning	332	316	16	545	654	-109
Totals	361	380	-19	599	800	-201

**Simsbury Police Department
Consolidated Monthly Report**

February, 2021

	Period	Period	Increase/ (Decrease)	Period	Period	Increase/ (Decrease)
Activity	2/1/2021	2/1/2020		1/1/2021	1/1/2020	
	2/28/2021	2/29/2020		2/28/2021	2/29/2020	
Miscellaneous Activity						
Aided Cases	142	142	0	309	275	34
Animals	50	42	8	79	81	-2
Assistance Req.	119	117	2	248	236	12
Criminal Mischief	0	1	-1	3	2	1
Disabled MV	17	11	6	26	27	-1
Domestic	7	4	3	10	12	-2
Escort	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fingerprints	28	50	-22	77	119	-42
Lockout	9	10	-1	18	26	-8
Noise Complaint	0	8	-8	7	12	-5
Notifications	2	4	-2	4	4	0
Open Doors	2	1	1	3	4	-1
Parking Tickets	0	1	-1	4	2	2
Suspicious Persons	20	44	-24	43	93	-50
Transport	0	2	-2	2	3	-1
Totals	396	437	-41	833	896	-63
Miles Patrolled						
Car 10	1,258	2,036	-778	1,908	4,379	-2,471
Car 11	1,294	1,264	30	3,285	2,600	685
Car 12	1,806	1,806	0	4,081	3,793	288
Car 13	1,078	1,688	-610	2,243	2,987	-744
Car 14	2,968	3,262	-294	5,534	6,211	-677
Car 15	2,099	2,422	-323	4,854	5,787	-933
Car 16	1,359	2,295	-936	3,270	4,810	-1,540
Car 17	1,692	2,075	-383	3,347	4,168	-821
Car K9	190	242	-52	391	402	-11
Totals	13,744	17,090	-3,346	28,913	35,137	-6,224
Personnel Activity*						
Sick Leave (days)	42	61	-20	106	137	-32
Injured Leave (days)	0	2	-2	0	2	-2
Suspension (days)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Funeral (days)	0	3	-3	1	7	-6
Vacation Leave (days)	55.5	56	-1	126	115	11
Comp Time (days)	21	48	-27	53	80	-28
Family Leave (days)	0	5	-5	0	5	-5
Training (hours)	185	279	-94	492	699	-207
Overtime (hours)	425	536	-110	1,047	1,056	-10
*Contains non-IBPO employees						

Incident Statistics Report

03/01/2021 00:00 Thru 03/31/2021 23:59

Call Type Description	Total for Period
911 Hangup Call	61
ADMIN. MEDICATION DROP BOX	2
Aided Case	155
Alarm - Fire	5
Alarm - Intrusion	20
Alarm - Medical	5
ALARM-FIRE-CHARGE	2
ALARM-INTRU-CHARGE	13
Ambulance	26
ANCILLARY DUTIES	35
ANIMAL COMPLAINT - BEAR OTHER	11
ANIMAL COMPLAINT - DOG	29
ANIMAL COMPLAINT - OTHER	17
ANIMAL COMPLAINT- BEAR PROPERTY DAMAGE	1
ANIMAL COMPLAINT-BEAR VS ANIMAL.	3
Arrest Warrant Served	4
Arrest Warrant Served - FTA	1
Assist Agency/Person	131
Background Investigation	26
Burglary	1
COPS	199
COPS / BICYCLE PATROL	1
Criminal Mischief	5
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	1
DISPATCH RELIEF	4
Dispatcher Entry	9
Escort	1
Family Offense, Nonviolent	1
Family Violence Offense	2
FINGERPRINT DETAIL	78
Fire	13
Follow-up	42
Fraud	13
Harassment	1
Hazardous Condition	58
Illegal Dumping	2
Larceny	6
LARCENY FR:MOTOR VEHICLE	2

Incident Statistics Report

03/01/2021 00:00 Thru 03/31/2021 23:59

Call Type Description	Total for Period
Lockout	13
Motor Vehicle Theft	1
MV Abandoned	2
MV Assist	1
MV Check	38
MV Complaint	25
MV Disabled	10
MV ENTRY L/INFORMATIONAL	1
MV STOP	134
MV STOP DWI	4
MV STOP SPEED	514
MVA	26
MVA UNINVESTIGATED	10
MVA-INJURY	3
Noise Complaint	13
Parking Violation	4
PASS CHECK	303
Patrol Check	2358
Pedestrian Offense	1
Property Found	12
REPORT PREPARATION	96
Suspicious Circumstances	20
Suspicious Person	6
Suspicious Vehicle	7
Traffic Assignment	38
TRAFFIC ENFORCE DIST DRV	2
TRAFFIC ENFORCE SEAT BELT	1
TRAFFIC ENFORCE SPEED	209
Traffic Enforcement	284
Traffic Light Notification	4
Training	8
Transport	1
UNUSED INCIDENT NUMBER	3
Total:	5138

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TOWN OF SIMSBURY
 EXPENDITURE STATUS REPORT

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 FUNCTION-200 PUBLIC SAFETY
 DEPARTMENT-211 POLICE DEPARTMENT
 BUDGET UNIT-10042110 POLICE DEPT

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51010	FULL-TIME	3,925,816.00	272,909.24		2,654,041.18	1,271,774.82	67.60
51020	PART TIME	23,330.00	1,697.52		15,980.94	7,349.06	68.50
51030	OVERTIME	225,000.00	14,414.97		167,624.45	57,375.55	74.50
51031	OVERTIME TRAINING	43,000.00	1,643.99		25,162.27	17,837.73	58.52
51040	SEASONAL	53,525.00	5,689.90		34,213.81	19,311.19	63.92
51060	HOLIDAY PAY	188,000.00			68,421.81	119,578.19	36.39
51070	LONGEVITY	1,400.00			1,400.00		100.00
51080	SPECIAL DUTY		11,081.57		11,081.57	-11,081.57	0.00
51101	UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	45,020.00			41,771.09	2,848.91	93.67
51400	EDUCATION REIMBURSEMENT	10,800.00			10,800.00		100.00
52200	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	68,834.00	15,509.59		70,201.53	-1,367.58	101.99
52410	INVESTIGATIONS	3,918.00	612.00		1,229.53	2,463.47	37.12
52510	COPY & PRINTING SERVICES	1,000.00			156.67	843.33	15.67
53100	OFFICE SUPPLIES	5,000.00	246.19		3,821.82	1,136.13	77.28
53105	TECH & PROGRAM SUPPLIES	29,750.00	7,200.80		10,702.54	18,690.08	37.18
53500	MEDICAL SUPPLIES	6,170.00	171.87		961.49	2,382.19	61.39
53505	CHEMICAL & LAB SUPPLIES	80.00				80.00	100.00
53700	CLOTHES & SAFETY SUPPLIE	10,978.00	2,966.81		9,408.43	1,542.07	85.95
54310	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	11,390.00	678.00		4,697.86	5,448.33	52.17
54320	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	20,000.00	3,227.76		7,328.39	9,196.09	54.02
55260	GASOLINE	61,790.00	10,579.29		38,623.16	23,166.84	62.51
55310	TELEPHONE SERVICE	9,000.00	753.38		5,965.73		100.00
57400	CONFERENCES & EDUCATION	28,450.00	3,406.00		8,643.94	19,806.06	30.38
57910	DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	4,345.00	149.50		5,262.82	-1,203.97	127.71
57950	COVID-19		4,408.27		16,369.42	-16,369.42	0.00
58810	COMPUTER SOFTWARE	5,566.00			3,264.50	2,301.50	58.65
58950	CNR - POLICE VEHICLES	141,000.00			141,000.00		100.00
	TOTAL POLICE DEPT	4,923,162.00	357,346.65		3,347,335.00	1,563,909.00	68.23
	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	4,923,162.00	357,346.65		3,347,335.00	1,563,909.00	68.23
	TOTAL GENERAL FUND	4,923,162.00	357,346.65		3,347,335.00	1,563,909.00	68.23
	TOTAL REPORT	4,923,162.00	357,346.65		3,347,335.00	1,563,909.00	68.23

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51010	FULL-TIME	502,147.00	32,940.12	.00	337,027.03	165,119.97	67.12
51030	OVERTIME	34,000.00	-4,186.22	.00	23,058.07	10,941.93	67.82
51031	OVERTIME TRAINING	2,000.00	.00	.00	.00	2,000.00	.00
51060	HOLIDAY PAY	11,500.00	.00	.00	6,935.83	4,564.17	60.31
51070	LONGEVITY	575.00	.00	.00	.00	575.00	.00
52200	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	2,940.00	.00	.00	417.37	2,522.63	14.20
53100	OFFICE SUPPLIES	340.00	54.49	.00	54.49	285.51	16.03
53105	TECH & PROGRAM SUPPLIES	425.00	.00	.00	338.00	87.00	79.53
53700	CLOTHES & SAFETY SUPPLIE	1,600.00	.00	246.00	720.00	634.00	60.38
54310	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	1,780.00	96.19	.00	945.89	834.11	53.14
57400	CONFERENCES & EDUCATION	3,120.00	.00	.00	800.00	2,320.00	25.64
57950	COVID-19	.00	6,821.94	.00	10,441.92	-10,441.92	25.64
	TOTAL TITLE NOT FOUND	560,427.00	35,726.52	246.00	380,738.60	179,442.40	67.98
	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	560,427.00	35,726.52	246.00	380,738.60	179,442.40	67.98
	TOTAL GENERAL FUND	560,427.00	35,726.52	246.00	380,738.60	179,442.40	67.98
	TOTAL REPORT	560,427.00	35,726.52	246.00	380,738.60	179,442.40	67.98

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 FUNCTION-200 PUBLIC SAFETY
 DEPARTMENT-212 ANIMAL CONTROL
 BUDGET UNIT-10042120 ANIMAL CONTROL

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51010	FULL-TIME	64,091.00	4,694.72	.00	44,255.37	19,835.63	69.05
51030	OVERTIME	1,160.00	.00	.00	16.77	1,143.23	1.45
52400	ADVERTISING	200.00	.00	.00	.00	200.00	.00
52510	COPY & PRINTING SERVICES	500.00	.00	.00	.00	500.00	.00
53100	OFFICE SUPPLIES	50.00	.00	.00	.00	50.00	.00
53105	TECH & PROGRAM SUPPLIES	725.00	.00	.00	183.37	541.63	25.29
53600	PARTS SUPPLIES	600.00	.00	.00	.00	600.00	.00
53700	CLOTHES & SAFETY SUPPLIE	400.00	.00	.00	.00	400.00	.00
54320	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	1,500.00	.00	.00	.00	1,500.00	.00
56210	FEES PAID TO STATE	6,000.00	.00	.00	4,425.60	1,574.40	73.76
57400	CONFERENCES & EDUCATION	100.00	.00	.00	.00	100.00	.00
57910	DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	50.00	.00	.00	.00	50.00	.00
	TOTAL ANIMAL CONTROL	75,376.00	4,694.72	.00	48,881.11	26,494.89	64.85
	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	75,376.00	4,694.72	.00	48,881.11	26,494.89	64.85
	TOTAL GENERAL FUND	75,376.00	4,694.72	.00	48,881.11	26,494.89	64.85
	TOTAL REPORT	75,376.00	4,694.72	.00	48,881.11	26,494.89	64.85