

SUFFIELD POLICE COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING, JULY 16, 2014

The regular meeting of the Suffield Police Commission was held on July 16, 2014 at 911 Mountain Road, Suffield, CT.

Present: Chairman, Kevin Armata, Vice Chairman, Kenneth Pascoe .

Commissioners: Matt Joyal, Jeff Davis, and Jack Quinn.

Absent: Clerk, Linda Stevenson.

Also Present: Chief Michael Manzi, Captain Craig Huntley, Officer Peter Osowiecki, and Recording Secretary Karen Doyon

Chairman Armata called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter from Lt. Daniel Kehoe [ret.] Suffield Volunteer Ambulance Association, to Linda Stevenson, dated July 3, 2014 passing along praise and appreciation to Officers Robert Dabkowski and Terry Antrum for their caring actions, professionalism, and compassion during a medical call, which ultimately lead to an untimely. Mr. Kehoe is the developer of the Patient and Family Advocate Team for Suffield[PAT]. The letter was read into the record by Commissioner Davis.

PUBLIC INPUT- None

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Armata asked if there were any changes to the June 18, 2014 regular meeting minutes. With none, Commissioner Joyal made the motion to accept the June 18, 2014 minutes as submitted, seconded by Vice Chairman Pascoe. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Budget: *Captain Huntley, at the beginning of the meeting handed out the Police Budget. The following were highlighted for fiscal year 2013/2014.*

- Appropriated and unexpended balances within payroll and benefit line items.
- Unexpended balances within college bonus's, and Retro pay. Discussion followed.
- Deposit for sold police car.

CHIEF'S REPORTS

Items offered in Chief Manzi's report and items added to his report were as follows:

- The Suffield Police Department was approved through the Connecticut Highway Safety Office [HSO], for the support of High Risk Rural Roads Speed Enforcement Initiatives to purchase two Lidar/Doppler speed-measuring devices. Through the Highway Safety grant, the HSO has allocated federal funds to law enforcement agencies 100% for allowable operational expenses and for the cost of the devices to those agencies who applied for the grant and have been approved. Brief discussion followed.
- The Chief reiterated details from last month's meeting regarding the one-for-one trade on the department issued Sig Sauer handgun with a new Glock, Model 22 GEN 4, 40-caliber handgun. Extra costs expected include LED flashlights, holsters, and extra magazines. Chief Manzi will be obtaining a waiver from the Board of Selectman for the extra's that need to be purchased.
- Discussion regarding telephone spoofing scams within the New England region.
- Discussion regarding the Connecticut State Supreme Court ruling, which will affect the use of FOI during police investigations.

Commissioner Quinn made the motion to accept Chief Manzi's report as submitted, seconded by Commission Davis. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Brief discussion regarding a Suffield resident who was struck by a vehicle while clearing his driveway with a snow blower last winter. Reports are the man is in Boston seeking additional medical attention.

NEW BUSINESS - None

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

With nothing further, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the July 16, 2014 regular Suffield Police Commission meeting at 7:48 pm.

Chairman Kevin Armata