



THOMAS H. KIELY
CHIEF OF POLICE

POLICE DEPARTMENT
TOWN OF TRUMBULL
CONNECTICUT 06611

158 EDISON ROAD
TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT 06611

P (203) 261-3665
F (203) 452-5162

POLICE COMMISSION

DAVID WILSON, CHAIRMAN
MARY C. MORAN, VICE CHAIRMAN
SANDY GALLA, SECRETARY
LINO COSTANTINI
ANNA HENRY
WILLIAM MURPHY

Trumbull Police Department – Police Commission Meeting
Police Headquarters – Chief’s Conference Room
Tuesday, July 14, 2009
5:30PM

MINUTES

The Trumbull Police Commission was called to order by Commission Chairman, Dave Wilson at 5:35PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence.

Members Present: Dave Wilson, Commission Chairman
Mary Moran, Commission Vice Chairman
Sandy Galla, Commission Secretary
Lino Costantini, Commissioner
Anna Henry, Commissioner

Member Absent: William Murphy

Also Present: Chief Thomas H. Kiely
Deputy Chief Glenn Byrnes
Deputy Chief Michael Harry
Officer Robert Coppola, Union President

Public Comment/Public Forum

No Public Comment/Public Forum on Jag/Byrne Grant reviewed
In Chief Kiely’s Report.

MOTION MADE, (Commissioner GALLA) 2nd (Commissioner HENRY) to
ACCEPT the minutes of the June 09, 2009 Police Commission Meeting. No
discussion. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence – None

A state law that takes effect on September 01, 2009, Senate Bill 533, an act concerning notification of the release of registered sex offenders into the community, was signed by Governor Jodi Rell. This act expands the Sex Offender Notification Law to school superintendents. This practice is carried out by this Department with Chief Kiely and Trumbull Superintendent of Schools, Ralph Iassogna.

There are seven sex offenders registered in the Town of Trumbull.

Chief Kiely's Report

Chief Kiely presented the First half of the year Statistics (01/01/09 – 06/30/09) vs 01/01/08 – 06/30/08)

Calls for Service	Up 3%
Motor Vehicle Accidents	Up 20
Burglary Alarms	Down 124
Burglaries	Down 16 (Commercial & Residential)
Domestics	Down 1
Motor Vehicle Larceny	Down 22
Medical Calls	Up 16% (868 in 09 vs 748 in 08)
Motor Vehicle Thefts	Down 2 (20 in 08 vs 18 in 09)
Vandalism	Down 54
Motor Vehicle Arrests	Up 120% (1,148 in 09 vs 522 in 08)

Money Magazine's list of America's Best Places to Live (2009) ranks Trumbull 77th out of the 100 Towns chosen throughout the Country. In the category of Public Safety, the Town of Trumbull was given an A.

Reverend Chris Holmes, a Norwalk Police officer, would like to be considered for the position of a Police Chaplain for the Trumbull Police Department. Mr. Holmes is a resident of Trumbull. Arrangements will be made to have Mr. Holmes meet with Chief Kiely and the Police Commission to discuss this appointment.

Our motorcycle officers participated in numerous events throughout the month of June; i.e THS Graduation, Special Olympics Torch Run, Trumbull Day, Escorting the Barnum Festival Parade float and the fireworks event at Westfield Shopping Town. Each of these events was a success with no incidents reported.

Traffic Report

All traffic issues were addressed with personal contact being made with the complainant.

The Speed Trailer has been put in service and will be deployed to areas of complaints.

An annual motorcycle refresher training course, held in Fairfield, was attended by Officers Richard, Thompson and Schwartz.

Participation by the Trumbull Police in a statewide Cell Phone enforcement resulted in 13 citations issued over a two day period.

Speed pads were deployed throughout Town to record traffic information, which will be forwarded to the Town of Trumbull Engineering Department per their request. This information will assist them with data required for a grant application.

Upon approval of a Project Concept Grant submitted to the State for review, the Department will be able to assign two officers a day for speeding enforcement for a thirty day period. Approximately \$20,000.00 was requested to cover the cost.

Traffic stops for the entire Police unit, resulted in 1,800 citations issued, with a good portion being DUI arrests.

Public Forum – Purchase of Additional In-Car Video Cameras Under the Jag/Byrne Grant

Under the Jag/Byrne Grant, the Department has been awarded an additional \$30,000.00 for the purchase of In-Car Video Cameras. With the lack of local funding, we take advantage of these grants.

The grant has been technically approved, however, the paperwork procedure to procure this is necessary. These funds should be forthcoming in October, which will allow us to purchase an additional five cameras and storage hard drives. We will have 8 of the I-Cop cameras and two of the mirror cameras giving us a total of 10 cameras.

The first in-car video camera will be installed week ending July 16, 2009, the remaining two will be installed within two weeks from this date. Once the grant money is received, the remaining five will be installed.

As discussed in the April 14, 2009 Commission meeting, this digital tape can be accessed only by Brian Casey, and supervisors who are authorized to pull the tape from the unit.

To reiterate, these cameras certainly will be an asset to the Department, providing better technology, accurate incident reporting and officer safety.

Towing Applications

It was unanimously agreed upon by the Commission members and Chief Kiely that the discussion regarding Towing Applications be tabled for the August 11, 2009 Police Commission Meeting.

Grievance 09-04

Officer Robert Coppola, President, Trumbull Police Union Local 1745, Council #15, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, presented Grievance 09-04 to the Commission citing Article 34, Section 1 – Promotions.,of the current contract (07/01/07 – 06/30/11).

Upon completion of his presentation of this grievance and inquiries made to Officer Coppola by the Commission members, there was a MOTION MADE, (Commissioner COSTANTINI) 2nd (Commissioner HENRY) to SUSTAIN Chief Thomas H. Kiely's DENIAL of Grievance #09-04, article 34, Section 1 of the current Union Contract (07/01/07 – 06/30/11) No discussion. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Grievance 09-05

Officer Robert Coppola, President, Trumbull Police Union Local 1745, Council #15, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, presented Grievance 09-05 to the Commission citing, Wages – Article 5 of the Police Union Contract. After a brief discussion by the Commissioners, Chief Kiely and Officer Coppola regarding the issue at hand, there was a MOTION MADE (Commissioner MORAN) 2nd (Commissioner GALLA) to TABLE Grievance #09-05, Wages – Article 5 of the Police Union Contract, to the scheduled August 11, 2009 Police Commission Meeting at which time we request the presence of Director of Finance, Lynn Heim or a forwarded clarification of her December 16th, 2008 memo. No discussion. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE (Commissioner MORAN) 2nd (Commissioner COSTANTINI) to adjourn the Trumbull Police Commission Meeting at 6:20PM. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted:

Jo-Ann C. Nanni
Clerk of the Commission