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Trumbull Police Commission Meeting
Long Hill Conference Room – Trumbull Town Hall
Tuesday, January 11, 2011
Immediately Following the Trumbull Police Pension Board of Trustees Meeting

MINUTES

The Trumbull Police Commission Meeting was called to order immediately following the Trumbull Police Pension Board of Trustees meeting which adjourned at 8:05PM.

Members Present:

Jack Testani Chairman
Anna Henry, Vice Chairman
Alfred Liggins, Secretary

Philip DiGennaro, Commissioner
William Murphy, Commissioner
Albert Zamary, Commissioner

Also Present:

Deputy Chief Glenn Byrnes
Deputy Chief Michael Harry

Not Present:

Chief Thomas H. Kiely

Public Comment – None

Approval of the December 14th, 2010 Police Commission Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Henry called for a Motion to Amend the December 14th, 2010 Police Commission Meeting Minutes; MOTION made (Commissioner MURPHY) 2nd (Commissioner LIGGINS) to Amend the aforementioned minutes to read as follows: MOTION made (Commissioner Zamary) to nominate Commissioner TESTANI as Chairman of the Police Commission. 2nd (Commissioner MURPHY). No other nominations. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO ACCEPT

THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 14TH, 2010 POLICE COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES AS AMENDED.

Correspondence

A request for a Stop Sign at Clarion Place and Brookside was received from a resident indicating a dangerous situation at this location. This request has been passed on to Lieutenant Thomas Savarese for his review. Commissioners Liggins and Murphy, members of the Traffic Sub-Committee, are aware of this request. Follow-up will be done at the February Police Commission meeting.

Chief Kiely's Report

In the absence of Chief Kiely, Deputy Chief Glenn Byrnes presented the following:

- A Citizen User Guide for Activity-Crime Reports was distributed to the Board of Commissioners. This User Guide is also accessible at www.crimereports.com. It enables the individual users to track crime in their neighborhood. The information contained in these reports is gathered from your local police department. Through this website, the most accurate, official information is available.
- Police Department Activity for 2010 – This report outlines incident statistics from 01/10/2010 through December 31/2010. The call volume for the average year is 18,000 to 20,000 calls for service. Motor vehicle accidents average 1,200 per year. Alarms for the year ending 2010 is 2,482. The Proposed False Alarm Abatement Ordinance is still being pursued. Brian Casey has worked on the wording/changes and it will be brought to the Town Council when time permits. The proposed ordinance contains resident addresses and the number of false burglar alarm calls to each residence in 2007.
- Deputy Chief Byrnes distributed to the Commission graphs displaying Calls Dispatched through CAD, Monthly/by Shift, Calls for Service by Day of Week and Shift & Calls for Service by Hour. These reports will aide in adjusting the distribution and deployment of personnel in the coming months.
- In a News Release by the United States Attorney's Office, District of Connecticut, dated January 05th, 2011, seventeen individuals were arrested and charged with various narcotics trafficking and firearms offenses. The Trumbull Police Department, Stratford Police Department, Norwalk Police Department and the FBI, through their dedication and commitment, made this possible after a seven month investigation conducted by the FBI. The cases are being prosecuted by members of the United States Attorney's Office Violent Crimes and Narcotics Unit.
- After review of the Whitney Ave. and Rails to Trails by Officer Thomas Richard, his findings indicated that the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Device Regulations call for an engineering study to be done before traffic control devices can be installed at this location. The Traffic Department recommends that an official traffic engineering review be conducted for this location. The engineering

firm of Tighe & Bond have been contacted and are currently preparing a review proposal, at no cost, for a review of this area.

- Officer Richard Carlson, assigned to the Canine Unit, will be completing his training, along with Cyrus, our canine, week ending 01/14/11.
- On behalf of Chief Kiely, Deputy Chief Michael Harry distributed pamphlets titled "City of Bridgeport, Juvenile Review Board". This program recruits volunteers, trained by RYASAP free of charge. The individuals, from the Town of Trumbull; will include adult residents, youths, business people and clergy.

This panel offers to the youthful offender the opportunity to adhere to guidelines set by the panel; their mission being to divert young people from the juvenile justice system, making available to them and their families, a wide array of community services to prevent repeated offenses. A follow-up is done to assure compliance and progress. Failure to comply with the guidelines will result in the offender being subjected to an appearance in Juvenile Court.

The City of Bridgeport and the Town of Stratford have implemented this program and find it to be successful. Ms. Sharon Stoyer, Program Director, Juvenile Review Board, will be contacted to present a complete overview of the program to the Board of Commissioners. The Commission's findings and evaluation of the program will be presented to 1st Selectman Herbst for his review and approval of implementation. The Juvenile Court supports and highly recommends this program.

- Prior to the January 11, 2011 Police Commission Meeting, Deputy Chief Michael Harry made available to the Board of Commissioners for their perusal the Trumbull Police Department Budget Proposal for FY 2011 – 2012.

Included in this Proposal are a Line Item Budget Justification Overview and Code of Accounts.

The Overview addressed the following:

1. Currently Authorized – 75 Sworn Officers
2. Justification for dedicating one officer to computer forensic training
3. Justification for five cruisers on the road; request for 1 administrative vehicle and one 4x4 vehicle
4. Increase in Training Account
5. Equipment Upgrades

The Budget was prepared without salary increases for Officers due to their current contract expiring on June 30, 2011. Contract negotiations covering the next three years is tentatively scheduled to begin. In the next 3 – 6 weeks.

The Entry Level testing for new officers has been delayed due to Civil Service not being able to proceed with the hiring process as originally scheduled. Background check

investigations, polygraph and psychological testing are time consuming and will put us beyond June 30, 2011 into the new fiscal year.

Testing process for the Sergeant's position will begin in late February, 2011 or early March, 2011.

Deputy Chief Harry addressed the Code of Accounts portion of this Proposal.

The Board of Commissioner commended Deputy Chief Harry and his staff for a job well done not only in the preparation of the proposed budget but in the presentation as well.

Emergency Management

- In the absence of Lieutenant Ronald Kirby, current Director of Emergency Management, Deputy Chief Harry presented to the Board of Commissioners a brief overview of the Emergency Management Accounts Summary Budget Proposal for FY2011-2012 prepared by Lieutenant Kirby

Old Business – None

New Business – None

MOTION made (Commissioner MURPHY) 2nd (Commissioner HENRY) to ADJOURN the Police Commission Meeting at 09:05PM. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted:

Jo-Ann C. Nanni
Clerk of the Commission