



# Town of Trumbull

## TRUMBULL POLICE COMMISSION

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### Trumbull Police Commission Meeting June 8, 2021

#### MINUTES

The Trumbull Police Commission meeting was called to order via virtual at 6:00 p.m. with the recitation of the pledge.

Members present: Raymond G. Baldwin, Jr., Chairman  
Angelo Magliocco, Vice Chairman  
Kathleen Champion, Commissioner  
Mary Beth Thornton, Commissioner  
Chris Trefz, Commissioner

Also Present: Chief Michael Lombardo  
Assistant Chief Glenn Byrnes  
Deputy Chief Leonard Scinto

#### **Public Comment**

Opened Public Comment at 6:01 pm.

There were no public comments. Public Comment was closed at 6:01 p.m.

#### **Approval of the May 11, 2021 Police Commission Meeting Minutes**

Motion made to accept the Police Commission Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2021 as presented. Motion made by Commissioner Magliocco, seconded by Commissioner Champion. There was no further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Chief's Report**

##### **Correspondence**

Chief Lombardo's Annual Evaluation letter to Chairman Baldwin and Police Commission.

Thank you card for Detective Rocco Testi's assistance in retrieving some money that was defraud from a family in town.

Email thanking Officer Jack Moramarco for responding to a burglar alarm at 2 a.m. Officer Moramarco was professional, courteous and calming.

Thank you letter from Charles Sherwood, Director of the South Central Criminal Justice Administration for Lieutenant Brian Falkenstein's assistance as he served as a panelist for an oral board examination.

Thank you email from a Trumbull resident who scheduled an Officer visit for her daughters Girl Scout Daisy group. Lieutenant Brian Weir and Officer Caitlin Wood attended the meeting and spoke to the young ladies. It was a great experience for the Girl Scout Daisy group to meet the Officers and a female officer.

### **Operations**

Chief Lombardo reviewed the Calls for Service Report for the month of May, which showed 1654 calls.

The Motor Vehicle Enforcement Report for the month of May showed 179 Motor Vehicle Enforcement stops.

The Criminal Incidents Report for the month of May showed 50 total. The report also showed 123 Alarms for the month of May.

Incident Statistics Report for the month of April showed 1653 cases.

The SRO Reports showed the Activities and Training for SRO Bartosik, Duva and Federowicz for the month May.

The K-9 Monthly Activity Report for the month of May showed the training, meetings and cases.

For the month of May, there were four (4) juvenile referrals.

The Arrest Summary Report for Adults showed there were 38 arrests for the month of May.

### **Traffic Division**

The Traffic Report showed 67 cases for the month of May that Officer Siljamaki handled. Memo to Patrol Supervisors to read at Line-Up of Traffic Issues/Complaints received and to have the Patrol Officers conduct traffic enforcement in those areas listed.

Chief Lombardo shared with the Commissioners that Officer Ryan Tantimonico has been assigned to the Traffic Division as there was a vacancy. Officer Tantimonico will attend specialized training for Accident Investigations and Advanced Accident Reconstruction. He will be part of the Accident Reconstruction Squad.

Chairman Baldwin asked for a status on the traffic signaling on various locations in Trumbull, specifically a northbound left turn lane on Route 127 at CVS.

Chief Lombardo responded that he has attended a few meetings with First Selectman, Rina Bakalar and Town Engineering regarding the intersection and improvements. Discussion have been a turn lane or adding a turn signal if you are going North on White Plains Road

right before you approach Church Hill Road as you cross intersection. Drivers will be able to turn left into new shopping center (CVS/Starbucks).

Chairman Baldwin also asked for an update on the Huntington Turnpike left turn lane on the Merritt Parkway.

Chief Lombardo indicated that the Department of Transportation informed him a while ago that the left turn lane was being approved. As of now there has been no further information or confirmation in writing. Chief Lombardo will follow-up with the Department of Transportation.

Chairman Baldwin also asked for an update on the signal on Route 111 Old Mine Park.

Chief Lombardo indicated if the Commission recalls last year during the pandemic on the weekends an officer assisted in crossing people. The Chief's understanding is that the design has changed with the traffic light and has been approved by the Department of Transportation. The design has been sent out to contractors for bids. The work is anticipated to be completed at the end of the calendar year.

#### **Detective Division Report**

Chief Lombardo reviewed the Detective Division Monthly Activity report for the month of May. The division had 31 open cases, 9 new cases and closed three cases for the month of May. The Reports showed 68 Fingerprinting cases.

Chief Lombardo reviewed the Monthly Status Report for May.

#### **Training**

Chief Lombardo reviewed the Training Report for the month of May. Chief Lombardo mentioned the Department assisted the State Liquor Control Authority with Liquor Compliance Checks. Five permit holders in the Town of Trumbull did not pass for compliance.

#### **Sick/Injury Report**

Chief Lombardo reviewed the sick/injury report for the department for May.

#### **Budget**

Chief Lombardo reviewed the Budget Report. The one section that the Chief brought to the Commission's attention is the Salary Line; the salary line was fully funded when the budget was prepared in December 2019. The Trumbull Police Union settled the Contract in March of 2020 with three years of raises. The Chief knows the Town of Trumbull has the funds to cover the overage of the Salary Line in which the funds are in the Contingency Account. There will be no need to ask for a special appropriation.

AC Byrnes indicated that the budget is right on target for the end of the year. This will be the last month the Budget progress report will be presented to the Commission for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year. Next month the Department will be into the new budget (2021-2022).

Commissioner Champion asked what the College Incentive line item on the budget is.

AC Byrnes explained the two accounts that relate to college stipends are listed as Tuition Reimbursement and College Incentive. This is a contract item, in which some officers were grandfathered from an earlier date some years back. There is a stipend for several hundred dollars based on the amount of college credits the officer has earned prior or during their employment with the Department. The other account is Tuition Reimbursement. There is a new benefit that is provided to all officers for an amount of reimbursement for any pre-approved college courses that they chose to attend. The Department encourages the Professional Development for anyone who chooses to complete their degrees or continue their education even for an advanced degree.

Chief Lombardo attended the Town Council meeting via Zoom. First Selectman Tesoro thanked several departments as the last fifteen to sixteen months have been very difficult for EMS, Emergency Services, Police, Health Department and Emergency Management. First Selectman Tesoro read a Proclamation for the Trumbull Police Department and named May 15<sup>th</sup> National Police Week. First Selectman Tesoro thanked the Police Department for all their hard work during the pandemic.

Chairman Baldwin commented that the recognition was well deserved as the Men and Women of the Department and Administration performed well during the pandemic. Chairman Baldwin indicated that the Police Department, EMS, Fire Department, Health Department and the Administration are appreciated during this difficult time.

**Old Business**

None.

**New Business**

*Evaluation Review and Consideration of Compensation for Chief Michael Lombardo*

Chairman Baldwin indicated the Evaluation Review and Compensation for Chief Lombardo will be postponed for the July Police Commission meeting.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Magliocco and seconded by Commissioner Thornton to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Vivian Munoz  
Clerk of the Commission