

# EAST WINDSOR POLICE COMMISSION

**REGULAR MEETING: July 11, 2018**

**East Windsor Police Department  
25 School Street, East Windsor, CT 06088**

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## **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE:**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Leach. Commissioners Filipone, Burns, and Long were present. Also present were Chief Edward DeMarco Jr. and Deputy Chief Roger Hart. Present in the audience were Ms. Deana Antes Prest and Ms. Karen Gamer.

## **2. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:**

**MOTION** made by Chairman Leach to add Agenda #5, Unfinished Business: Deana Prest.

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Long

**VOTED IN FAVOR:** Commissioners Filipone/Burns/Long

**ALL THOSE VOTING, VOTE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

## **3. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:**

The minutes from the June 13, 2018, regular meeting were reviewed by all commission members. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Filipone to accept the regular meeting minutes of 06/13/2018.

**DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Filipone asked about the amount for the police department financial statement for last month. Chief DeMarco stated it was correct.

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Burns

**EXCUSED:** Commissioner Hayes

**VOTED IN FAVOR:** Commissioners Filipone/Burns/Long

**ALL THOSE VOTING, VOTE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

## **4. BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES:**

**A) Police Department – Monthly Billing:** **MOTION** made by Commissioner Filipone to accept the monthly billing in the total amount of \$17,494.77.

**DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Filipone asked about the uniform expense for the detectives. Chief DeMarco explained they get the same as the officers. Deputy Chief Hart explained they submit their receipts and they are reviewed.

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Long

**VOTED IN FAVOR:** Commissioners Filipone/Burns/Long

**ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.**

**B) Police Department – Financial Statement: MOTION** made by Commissioner Long to approve the monthly financial statements with a balance of \$139,776.50.

**DISCUSSION:** Chairman Leach thanked the Chief and Deputy Chief for going to the Board of Finance to restore the money to the level it's at.

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Filipone

**VOTED IN FAVOR:** Commissioners Filipone/Burns/Long

**ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.**

**C) Police Commission – Monthly Billing: MOTION** made by Commissioner Burns to approve the monthly billing as of 06/30/18 in the total amount of \$125.00

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Long

**VOTED IN FAVOR:** Commissioners Filipone/Burns/Long

**ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.**

**D) Police Commission – Financial Statement: MOTION** made by Commissioner Long to accept the police commission monthly financial statement dated 06/30/2018 as submitted.

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Filipone

**VOTED IN FAVOR:** Commissioners Filipone/Burns/Long

**ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.**

## **5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Chairman Leach stated the police commission has not had the chance to sit down with the police department as of yet to discuss what information is legally releasable to Ms. Prest. He also said he sent her an email this morning explaining that. Ms. Prest stated she has had no communication from the department since reaching out and is very frustrated. A discussion ensued. Ms. Gamer is here on behalf of her friend and would like to see closure/resolution for the family. Deputy Chief Hart confirmed the department is investigating the case and moving forward. They are working with the State Police and the case is being placed on the cold case website. Cases are kept confidential for legal reasons and so they can be successfully prosecuted. He will ensure better communication, but cannot divulge confidential information on an open case.

## **6. TRAFFIC AUTHORITY:**

Chief DeMarco stated there are two open cases - the turn lane on Rt. 140 and the no turn lane off of Rt. 5. He has sent two follow-up letters and placed a phone call to safety engineering and has not heard anything back.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

## 8. COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

## 9. MONTHLY REPORTS:

Chief DeMarco explained the police department had a recent flood in the main hallway and Detective Division; there have been numerous floods over the years. Critical cases could have been destroyed if Deputy Chief had not been there to move them immediately. He would like to research and price out what it would cost to get an outside engineering company to survey the critical areas in the building (Dispatch, IT, Evidence). The Commissioners agreed and they would go over at the next meeting. ServPro came in and they were able to save much of the carpet, but not in the Detective Division. They filed an insurance claim for the damage, but need to fix immediately before mold starts.

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Filipone to authorize Chief DeMarco and/or Deputy Chief Hart to spend up to \$15,000 out of the private duty fund for building renovations.

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Long

**VOTED IN FAVOR:** Commissioners Filipone/Burns/Long

**ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.**

## 10. PUBLIC INPUT – Comments and Discussion (5 minutes maximum time per subject)

None.

## 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Long to enter into Executive Session at 7:37 pm to include Chief DeMarco and Deputy Chief Hart for discussion on legal issues.

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Burns

**VOTED IN FAVOR:** Commissioners Filipone/Burns/Long

**ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Filipone to end Executive Session at 8:25pm

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Long

**VOTED IN FAVOR:** Commissioners Filipone/Burns/Long

**ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.**

## 12. ADJOURNMENT:

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Filipone to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm.

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Long

**VOTED IN FAVOR:** Commissioners Filipone/Burns/Long

**ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Judith Tweedlie - EWPC Recording Secretary**