

EAST WINDSOR POLICE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING: November 11, 2020

7:00 p.m.

Held Via ZOOM

Meeting ID: 935-3479-3548

URL: <https://zoom.us/j/93534793548>

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE:

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Leach. Commissioners Filipone, Long, and Mancuso were present. Also present were Chief Edward DeMarco Jr. and Deputy Chief Roger Hart. Present in the audience were Selectman Sarah Muska and Selectman Charles Nordell.

2. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

3. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from the October 14, 2020, regular meeting were reviewed by all commission members.

MOTION made by Commissioner Long to accept the regular meeting minutes of 10/14/2020.

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone

ABSTAINED: Commissioner Mancuso

EXCUSED: Commissioner Safford

VOTED IN FAVOR: Chairman Leach, Commissioners Filipone/Long

ALL THOSE VOTING, VOTE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

4. BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES:

A) Police Department – Monthly Billing: **MOTION** made by Commissioner Filipone to approve the monthly billing, as of November 6th, in the amount of \$5,111.47, as submitted.

DISCUSSION: Chairman Leach asked what the bill from Hunter Systems was for. Deputy Chief Hart explained it's for the computer system that controls the camera in the booking room; they needed to upgrade the maintenance agreement so it would work with NexGen.

SECONDED by Commissioner Long

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Mancuso

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 \$2,443,762.16, as submitted.

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Mancuso

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

C) Police Commission – Monthly Billing: MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to approve the monthly billing in the total amount of \$125.00

SECONDED by Commissioner Long

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Mancuso

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

D) Police Commission – Financial Statement: MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to accept the police commission monthly financial statement dated 10/31/2020 as submitted with a balance of \$1,225.00

SECONDED by Commissioner Long

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Mancuso

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

6. TRAFFIC AUTHORITY:

Chief DeMarco stated the Silverman project gave their final update and they did go through the change to a different company but did leave in the turn driveway and everything else. They are asking for the LTA to give concurrence. He attached the email that was most recently received into the monthly report. Chairman Leach said they kept everything in the plan we asked for, so it looks good.

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone that instructs Chief DeMarco to notify the Silverman project that the LTA concurs.

SECONDED by Commissioner Long

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Mancuso

ALL THOSE VOTING, VOTE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Chief DeMarco stated the study for Kreyssig Road has been completed and they do not recommend making it a one-way street. Chairman Leach added the traffic study that was done was very in depth. Chief DeMarco said it included the traffic flow, amounts, speed levels, and it takes into consideration the different entries of the road such as Ellington, Enfield, and East Windsor. The report shows there isn't a problem with speed, the volume is

a little heavier than other roads, and accident numbers are nonexistent. Commissioner Filipone asked if the concern was truck traffic and Chief DeMarco said there is not heavy truck traffic. Commissioner Filipone asked if all three towns would need to approve to make it a one-way street and Chief DeMarco said yes. Chairman Leach said the area could be put on the STEP program and use the speed signs which would quell concerns. He agrees with the recommendation of not making it a one-way street. Chief DeMarco will forward the report to the First Selectman that the LTA accepts the recommendation of the report. Chairman Leach approves for Chief DeMarco to forward the information to the First Selectman so the concerned resident may also get the information. Chief DeMarco met with the residents that made the complaint and they are happy with the level of law enforcement STEP program and understand the outcome of the report. Commissioner Filipone asked how long a study like this takes. Chief DeMarco said it can be extensive – they walk the neighborhood, run radar, monitor the computer flow, prepare the reports, etc. Commissioner Filipone asked if we use an off-duty officer. Chief DeMarco stated Sgt. McNeice does the study during his shift and solicits help of other officers when necessary.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

Chief DeMarco would like to welcome back Police Commissioner Mancuso; its good to see him again. Commissioner Mancuso said he's glad to be back and volunteer; he's sorry the circumstances are due to the passing of Betsy as he knew her for many years, but he is glad to be back. Chairman Leach said he is also glad to have Commissioner Mancuso back.

8. COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

9. MONTHLY REPORTS:

Chief DeMarco stated we hired our new Dispatcher and the Communications & Technology Supervisor. The Communications & Technology Supervisor is working on a lot of projects already. Sgt. Leab graduated the Southern Police Institute, Administrative Officers Command School. He missed placing the number one position in the class by one person; he did very well. Chief DeMarco said he would need a motion to finish some office and furniture upgrades in the interview room and recording room. They have just over \$96,000 in the private duty fund and he's requesting a transfer of \$15,000 for building and department projects. Commissioner Filipone asked if this was repairs or upgrade. Chief DeMarco said its for upgrades to make it a better place to work in.

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to transfer \$15,000 from private duty funds into the CNR – Building renovations or projects as requested by Chief DeMarco to do improvements within the police department.

SECONDED by Commissioner Mancuso

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Mancuso

ALL THOSE VOTING, VOTE 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 7:22 pm to include Chief DeMarco and Deputy Chief Hart for discussion on legal issues.

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Mancuso

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION made by Commissioner Long to end Executive Session at 8:05 pm

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Mancuso

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION made by Commissioner Long to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm.

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Mancuso

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Tweedlie - EWPC Recording Secretary