EAST WINDSOR POLICE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING: November 10, 2021

7:00 p.m.

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

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE:

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Chairman Leach. Commissioners Filipone, Long, and Riordan were present. Also present were Chief Edward DeMarco Jr., Deputy Chief Roger Hart, and Administrative Lieutenant Matt Carl.

2. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

3. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from the October 13, 2021, regular meeting were reviewed by all commission members.

MOTION made by Commissioner Long to accept the regular meeting minutes of 10/13/2021.

SECONDED by Commissioner Riordan

EXCUSED: Commissioner Mancuso

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan

ALL THOSE VOTING, VOTE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

4. BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES:

A) Police Department – Monthly Billing: MOTION made by Commissioner Riordan to approve the monthly billing in the amount of \$18,360.37, as submitted.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Filipone asked what the PERF charge is for. Chief DeMarco stated it stands for the Police Executive Research Forum. Its training for the Senior Management Institute of Police and Adm. Lt. Carl will be attending.

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan

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 \$2,615,179.21, as submitted.

DISCUSSION: Chairman Leach asked what the Police Fines line was for. Deputy Chief Hart explained they are placeholders. Fees and Fines is anything that the Records Division collects. The town always does a budget amount for revenue.

SECONDED by Commissioner Riordan

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan

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 Riordan

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

D) Police Commission – Financial Statement: MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to accept the police commission monthly financial statement dated 10/31/2021 as submitted with a balance of \$1,189.75.

SECONDED by Commissioner Long

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

6. TRAFFIC AUTHORITY:

Chairman Leach asked about Morris Road. Chief DeMarco stated its identical to the same complaint that we had a year before, so their advice is to find the same way as they found last time. A discussion ensued. Chairman Leach agrees to find the same way since they dealt with it last year and did the right thing. Commissioner Long stated he noticed on Rt. 5 it looks like they re-lined some lanes going North at the gas station before Craftsman Road that made it a right turn lane only. Chairman Leach stated the state did that. Deputy Chief Hart said the state did a study and that's what they deemed appropriate. Chief DeMarco said they looked into the two complaints made by the Selectmen. One was involving the passing of school busses. They dedicated a lot of hours to the busses issue and not one violation was observed. No drivers reported any past or present violations, and the company is under instruction that if they are passed the drivers can give us written statements and violations will be written. The other was the left turn into the gas station. One of the signs the Selectman was complaining about was a sign that was made by the gas station as they don't want people taking left turns coming out of their gas station; this is a non-enforceable sign. For the sign on Rt. 5 of "no left turn" into the gas station, officers have been spending time there and trying to curtail it, but there are still some violations of people turning left into the gas station; there aren't any accidents though. Commissioner Filipone asked if someone would get a ticket if a bus driver gave a written statement. Chief DeMarco stated they would get a ticket. Deputy Chief Hart added if they got a written statement, there's a statute that says they have to give either a written ticket or a written warning.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

None.

8. COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

9. MONTHLY REPORTS:

Chief DeMarco stated he did not do a monthly report for this month as it was extremely busy.

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 7:13 pm to include Chief DeMarco, Deputy Chief Hart, and Adm. Lt. Carl for discussion on legal issues.

SECONDED by Commissioner Riordan

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to end Executive Session at 7:42 pm SECONDED by Commissioner Long VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 pm. SECONDED by Commissioner Long VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Tweedlie - EWPC Recording Secretary