

EAST WINDSOR POLICE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING: May 11, 2022

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 6:59 pm by Chairman Leach. Commissioners Filipone, Long, Riordan, and Rivera-Hills 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 April 13, 2022, regular meeting were reviewed by all commission members.

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to accept the regular meeting minutes of 4/13/2022.

SECONDED by Commissioner Riordan

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan/Rivera-Hills

ALL THOSE VOTING, VOTE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

4. BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES:

A) Police Department – Monthly Billing: **MOTION** made by Commissioner Long to approve the monthly billing in the amount of \$77,200.47, as submitted.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Filipone asked if the last two items are the cars. Deputy Chief Hart said yes. Commissioner Filipone said he saw a Marcus truck here and saw a bill and wants to know if we had a problem and if its fixed. Deputy Chief Hart explained yes, it's fixed, and the bills were actually for some work on the dispatch console.

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan/Rivera-Hills

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

B) Police Department – Financial Statement: **MOTION** made by Commissioner Riordan to approve the monthly financial statements, with a balance of \$831,732.01, as submitted.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Filipone asked about the overtime. Deputy Chief Hart explained he did a projection and we're close but should have enough in the salary lines for

officers and dispatchers. If something major occurs, it could change things. He hasn't heard back from the Treasurer. A discussion ensued.

SECONDED by Commissioner Rivera-Hills

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan/Rivera-Hills

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

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

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan/Rivera-Hills

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

D) Police Commission – Financial Statement: **MOTION** made by Commissioner Filipone to accept the police commission monthly financial statement dated 4/30/2022 as submitted with a balance of \$381.37.

SECONDED by Commissioner Riordan

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan/Rivera-Hills

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

6. TRAFFIC AUTHORITY:

None.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

None.

8. COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

9. MONTHLY REPORTS:

Commissioner Filipone asked what \$42,000 JAG grant is. Chief DeMarco explained its for a car and two LiDAR speed enforcement lasers. Commissioner Filipone asked how many levels of accreditation there are. Chief DeMarco explained there are three tiers, and they are mandatory now with the accountability bill. We are at Tier 1 and working on Tier 2 which

they hope to have completed in 12-15 months. Commissioner Filipone asked if we benefit from it. Chief DeMarco said we do as it brings to order what we do as a police department (use of force, pursuit policy) and develops best practices; you get a reduction in risk to liability, lawsuits, etc. Deputy Chief Hart added it reduces risk by improving standards. A discussion ensued.

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

None.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to enter into Executive Session at 7:17 pm to include Chief DeMarco, Deputy Chief Hart, and Adm. Lt. Carl for discussion on legal and security issues.

SECONDED by Commissioner Long

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan/Rivera-Hills

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to end Executive Session at 7:34 pm

SECONDED by Commissioner Long

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan/Rivera-Hills

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to allow Chief DeMarco to carry over five days of vacation until September 1, 2022.

SECONDED by Commissioner Rivera-Hills

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan/Rivera-Hills

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Filipone started a discussion regarding the facility space.

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to form a committee to explore facility needs, problems and solutions at the police department.

SECONDED by Commissioner Riordan

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan/Rivera-Hills

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION made by Commissioner Rivera-Hills to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm.

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Long/Riordan/Rivera-Hills

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Tweedlie - EWPC Recording Secretary