

EAST WINDSOR POLICE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING: April 10, 2019

**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, Hayes, Long, and Burns were present. Also present were Chief Edward DeMarco Jr. and Deputy Chief Roger Hart. Present in the audience was Mr. Alexander Parboo.

2. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

3. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from the March 13, 2019, regular meeting were reviewed by all commission members. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Hayes to accept the regular meeting minutes of 03/13/2019.

SECONDED by Commissioner Burns

ABSTAINED: Commissioner Filipone

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Hayes/Long/Burns

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, in the amount of \$11,938.66.

SECONDED by Commissioner Long

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

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

B) Police Department – Financial Statement: **MOTION** made by Commissioner Long to approve the monthly financial statements as submitted.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Filipone asked if we'll make it with the overtime line. Chief DeMarco said we would. He went on to say the only line that's in trouble is 710 and we'll justify that in a month or two.

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes

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

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

C) Police Commission – Monthly Billing: **MOTION** made by Commissioner Burns to approve the monthly billing as of 03/31/19 in the total amount of \$125.00

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes

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

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

D) Police Commission – Financial Statement: **MOTION** made by Commissioner Long to accept the police commission monthly financial statement dated 03/31/2019 as submitted.

SECONDED by Commissioner Burns

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

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Chairman Leach asked about the study for Wapping Road and Miller Road. Deputy Chief Hart explained it was not done last month, but he will have an officer take photos this month and determine the next step. Commissioner Hayes stated he drove the area and didn't have a problem with the lines.

6. TRAFFIC AUTHORITY:

None.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

None.

8. COMMUNICATIONS:

Commissioner Burns was asked by some people in Warehouse Point if the police department does wellness checks on the homeless people that are living on the river bank under the 140 bridge. Chief DeMarco said regular checks are made by the patrol division. She asked if East Windsor would respond if there was a medical call. Chief DeMarco explained if the medical call was in East Windsor, they would respond; each town responds to their own medical calls. Commissioner Burns went on to say Pauline's Kitchen is supplying the homeless people with food and asking people to donate tents, goods and grills. Commissioner Hayes asked if there are legal issues for people to live on the river banks. Chief Demarco explained it depends on the situation and if complaints come in from the people who own the land.

Commissioner Burns asked about automatic license plate readers (ALPRs) because she is interested in them and saw on the news that three towns now have them. ALPRs

automatically scan plates and can check if the vehicle is registered, identify stolen vehicles, etc. Deputy Chief Hart stated they are aware of the technology and explained the story was because those three agencies are using the state police database and not using their own database. Commissioner Burns asked how much that system would cost and if there are grants for it. Deputy Chief Hart stated there are grants sometimes and the system is expensive. He also said there are other alternatives such as fixed mounted cameras. They are interested in such technology, but they would need funding for it. Chief DeMarco explained the ACLU is against the technology because it does not protect privacy rights. There are retention issues and what the restrictions should be for privacy protection. A discussion ensued.

9. MONTHLY REPORTS:

Chief DeMarco presented a communication that was sent to the Police Commission regarding dump trucks driving on Scantic Road. The letter was read aloud, and a discussion ensued. If the trucks are performing normal work, during normal business hours, it is not a police matter. Chairman Leach will respond to the communication.

Chairman Leach stated the Board of Finance reinstated most of the budget that was cut by the Board of Selectmen, such as the K-9 program. He requested to be on the agenda for Monday, April 15th, for the budget workshop to try and get the Toughbook PC's. A discussion ensued.

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

Mr. Alexander Parboo, a student from Capital Community College, thanked the Commission for allowing him to attend the meeting for a paper he's writing for class.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION made by Commissioner Hayes to enter into Executive Session at 7:27 pm to include Chief DeMarco and Deputy Chief Hart for discussion on legal issues.

SECONDED by Commissioner Burns

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

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION made by Commissioner Burns to end Executive Session at 7:58 pm

SECONDED by Commissioner Long

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

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION made by Commissioner Burns to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm.

SECONDED by Commissioner Long

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

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Tweedlie - EWPC Recording Secretary