EAST WINDSOR POLICE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING: August 9, 2017

East Windsor Town Hall 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT 06106

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE:

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Strempfer. Commissioners Filipone, Hayes and Pippin were present. Also present were Chief Edward DeMarco Jr. and Deputy Chief Roger Hart. Present in the audience were Mr. Miguel Berrios, Ms. Linda Collins, Mr. Raymond Jones, and Mr. Len Norton.

2. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

3. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from the July 12, 2017, regular meeting were reviewed by all commission members. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Hayes to accept the regular meeting minutes of 07/12/2017.

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone.

EXCUSED: Commissioner Leach

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL THOSE VOTING, VOTE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

4. BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES:

A) Police Department – Monthly Billing: MOTION made by Commissioner Hayes to accept the monthly billing, end of fiscal year 2016/2017, in the total amount of \$4,846.63

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION made by Filipone to accept the monthly billing for fiscal year 2017/2018 in the amount of \$10,009.67

SECONDED by Commissioner Pippin.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

B) Police Department – Financial Statement: MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to approve the monthly financial statements, for 2016/2017 through August 2nd, with a balance of \$67,158.91.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Hayes was pleased that so much money was going back to the town. Deputy Chief Hart explained the police department was short an officer and a dispatcher so that is why there is so much there. Money came out of the overtime line, but the department still gave back more than last year.

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to approve the monthly financial statements, for the 2017/2018 budget year as of August 2nd.

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

C) Police Commission – Monthly Billing: MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to approve the monthly billing as of 07/31/17 in the total amount of \$125.00.

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

D) Police Commission – Financial Statement: MOTION made by Commissioner Hayes to accept the police commission monthly financial statement dated 07/31/2017 as submitted.

SECONDED by Commissioner Pippin.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

6. TRAFFIC AUTHORITY:

Chief DeMarco said they have submitted the request to the state to make the speed limit 15 miles per hour throughout all of Park Hill. Len Norton, Director of Public Works/Town Engineer agreed to go to the Park Hill site to meet with Ms. Linda Collins, Chief DeMarco, and Deputy Chief Hart so they can determine exactly which authorized signs to put up, the exact location of the signs, and which signs need to be taken down. At this time, fog lines

will not be used; in the future it will be determined if they should be installed. Speed bumps will not be installed. A discussion ensued.

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to adopt the traffic study report except for the fog lines.

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION made by Commissioner Hayes to enter into Executive Session at 7:20 pm for the purpose of conducting an interview for police officer position.

SECONDED by Commissioner Pippin.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to end Executive Session at 7:38 pm.

SECONDED by Commissioner Leach.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION made by Commissioner Hayes to authorize Chief DeMarco to make a conditional offer of employment to Miguel Berrios contingent upon successful completion of background check and required process.

SECONDED by Commissioner Pippin.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

8. COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

9. MONTHLY REPORTS:

None.

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

Mr. Raymond Jones explained he has volunteered at the filter beds for over 25 years and cars continue to speed throughout the dirt roads. He believes it is dangerous for the people that walk there so he would like a stop sign installed at the exit, pedestrian signs in the area, and 10 mph speed limit signs installed at the filter beds. Chief DeMarco and Deputy Chief Hart explained they cannot install or enforce signs on a dirt road because it's not a recognized road. They (along with Chairman Strempfer) suggested he speak with the First Selectman, Public Works, or someone on the River Commission to try and see if anyone can help make advisory signs to try and slow people down.

Mr. Jones also stated there is no speed limit sign going from Rice Road to Rt. 140 on Harrington Road. Furthermore, he believes the one on Harrington Road should be further up the road on the flatter surface. Deputy Chief Hart stated he will look into seeing if there's an established speed limit on Harrington Road so they can have Public Works add another sign further up the road in addition to the one that is there.

Commissioner Filipone stated he has noticed more parked police cars throughout town lately. He also stated the police officers on Rt. 5 working private duty seem to have their cars parked on either side of the construction work and the officers appear to be in the middle talking. He asked if we needed to have the expense of the vehicles being there. Chief DeMarco explained they are paid for by the company requesting the services. Commissioner Filipone would like to know if anything can be about an area on Rt. 140 in front of his son's house. He said there have been four rollovers in the past three years and maybe additional signage is needed. Deputy Chief Hart stated he would talk to the State Traffic Commission to re-examine the signs and see if they can add chevron traffic signs or more visible signs.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION made by Commissioner Hayes to enter into Executive Session at 8:09 pm to include Chief DeMarco and Deputy Chief Hart for discussion on legal issues.

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to end Executive Session at 8:30pm

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm.

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Hayes/Pippin **ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Tweedlie - EWPC Recording Secretary