EAST WINDSOR POLICE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING: November 9, 2016

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

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE:

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Strempfer. Commissioners Filipone, Leach, Hayes and Pippin were present. Also present were Chief Edward DeMarco Jr. and Deputy Chief Roger Hart. Present in the audience were Linda Collins, John Burnham, and Kathleen Pippin.

2. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:

Agenda #6, Traffic Authority: Park Hill road signs/speed bumps.

3. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from the October 12, 2016, regular meeting were reviewed by all commission members. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Leach to accept the regular meeting minutes of 10/12/2016.

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Leach/Hayes/Pippin

ALL THOSE VOTING, VOTE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

4. BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES:

A) Police Department – Monthly Billing: MOTION made by Commissioner Leach to accept the monthly billing as submitted, including Animal Control, in the total amount of \$8,765.21.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Filipone asked what MHQ bill was for. Deputy Chief Hart explained vehicle #1103 was sent to be stripped and retrofitted into a new vehicle. While it was there they found out the light bar wasn't working and they were able to purchase a new one for less cost than to fix the old one.

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Leach/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

B) Police Department – Financial Statement: MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to approve the monthly financial statements, including Animal Control.

SECONDED by Commissioner Leach.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Leach/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

C) **Police Commission – Monthly Billing: MOTION** made by Commissioner Filipone to approve the monthly billing as of 10/31/2016 in the total amount of \$125.00.

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Leach/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

D) Police Commission – Financial Statement: MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to accept the police commission monthly financial statement dated 10/31/2016 as submitted.

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Leach/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Commissioner Hayes stated the signs at the school look good and seem to be working well. He is going to speak with Joe Sauerhoefer to see if there is an area that is available to drop kids off and keep an eye out to make sure parents have an area to drop the children off.

6. TRAFFIC AUTHORITY:

None.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

None.

8. COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

9. MONTHLY REPORTS:

Commissioner Filipone wanted to share he has noticed a police presence throughout the community and it's good to see. Commissioner Hayes agreed and has also noticed the increased presence.

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

Linda Collins and John Burnham of the East Windsor Housing Authority stated the residents and staff of Park Hill, which is an elderly housing complex, are concerned about speeding vehicles through the property. They believe visitors, homemakers, companions, and family members, etc., are speeding and not stopping at the stop signs throughout the facility. Linda stated Chief DeMarco has sent officers out to slow people down and it has worked very well; they've seen a decrease in the issues. Although they've been very happy with these results, they would like a long term solution to the problem such as installing portable speed bumps and adding an additional stop sign near the exit. There are currently six stop signs throughout the facility and they believe only one has been approved by the town of East Windsor. Chairman Strempfer stated he would like the police department to do a study on how fast traffic is going through the facility and to make a recommendation to the commission. Chief DeMarco explained they will do the study and make a recommendation. He went on to say the department does not have the device they would normally use as the device is broken and the cost of a new one is approximately \$6,000. He will do his best to borrow one to use for the study, but is unsure if it is possible.

John Burnham stated he is proud of the police department and thanked them for their service. He has not heard any negative feedback regarding the department. Linda Collins also said she and the residents of Park Hill thank the police department for their work. Chief DeMarco stated he appreciates their feedback and they have a good team that works together and with the community.

MOTION made by Commissioner Leach to study the traffic at Park Hill as per their request and adopt the relevant traffic signs contingent upon the regulatory compliance and to include painting of the stripes and crosswalks.

SECONDED by Commissioner Filipone.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Leach/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Leach/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to end Executive Session and reconvene regular meeting (8:03pm)

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Leach/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

12. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING FOR PUBLIC INPUT:

At 8:03pm the regular meeting reconvened and was attended by all previously in attendance and Priscilla Allard of 83 Depot Street, Broad Brook, CT. Ms. Allard expressed that she would discuss an issue regarding an infraction related to her property at 83 Depot Street. A brief discussion was held. Chairman Strempfer made some recommendations on behalf of the commission to Ms. Allard and instructed her to follow up with the commission should the need arise.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION made by Commissioner Filipone to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm.

SECONDED by Commissioner Hayes.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Commissioners Filipone/Leach/Hayes/Pippin

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Tweedlie - EWPC Recording Secretary