MINUTES REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2019

NOTE: THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND APPROVAL AT A FUTURE MEETING OF THE POLICE COMMISSION

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Chairman Sauvigne called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. In attendance were Commissioners Sauvigne, Waters, and Mason, Chief Lynch, Captain Cippola and First Selectwoman Vanderslice for that part of the meeting concerning WESTCOG Regionalization Analysis (see New Business below).

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public present at the meeting, and no public comment was received.

MINUTES

Commissioner Sauvigne made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2018 Regular Meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Mason, approved 3-0.

DISCUSSION OF MONTHLY REPORTS

The monthly reports were all reviewed and considered.

A. Activity Report

The Commission reviewed the calendar year-end figures, as well as those for the month of December.

There was a 20% decline in domestics compared to 2017, which may be attributable to the PD’s awareness campaign. The Commission was pleased with the increase in MV stops, as well as the fact that the vast majority of stops do not result in a ticket, allowing it to be educational rather than penal experience.

The Commission reviewed the community policing activities for the month.
B. Detective Bureau

There was nothing unusual in the DB Report.

C. MAC Report

There was nothing unusual in the MAC report. The Commission noted that child seat installations is a great service provided by the PD to the community.

D. School Resource Officer

There was nothing unusual to report.

E. Overtime Report

The Commission commended the Chief and his staff in keeping shift coverage overtime down, which can be difficult because of lack of full staffing. Most of the OT for the month was related to a reimbursable SEU grant.

F. Accreditation Report

Things are on track for a January 2019 Assessment Date and Sgt. Rangel continues to do an excellent job in keeping the process moving forward.

G. K-9 Report.

There was nothing unusual to report.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF.

The Chief noted the PD had received a $4,494 State Forfeiture Award relating to a drug arrest by Officer Hayes.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Waters gave a brief update on the Building Committee, with nothing new to report.

The Chief provided brief updates on SRO, Recruits, and DEA Task Force.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion with First Selectwoman Vanderslice on WESTCOG Regionalization Analysis.

First Selectwoman Vanderslice joined the meeting for a discussion of WESTCOG’s regionalization analysis. WESTCOG includes five towns – Wilton, Weston, Ridgefield, New
Canaan, and Redding. WESTCOG lost state regional services funding last year. The main purpose of the analysis is to determine if there are any areas that can or should be shared between or among towns. For example, does every town need its own shooting range, separate records department, or separate detention centers? It is expected the current analysis will be completed within the next two – three months.

B. Budget

The Chief reviewed the preliminary budget, focusing on variances from the prior year.

C. Firing Range

Issues surrounding the lack of a viable firing range, and options for a range, were discussed.

D. Active Aggressor Training

There will be joint two-day exercise with the Fire Department in March.

E. BOF Survey

The PD received very high marks in the recent town wide BOF survey.

**REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS.**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no members of the public present at the meeting, and no public comment was received.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no executive session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:22 pm, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Waters, approved 3 -0.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew C. Mason, Acting Secretary