



Incorporated 1787

Board of Police Commissioners

MINUTES

March 1, 2011

7:30 PM

Town Hall Commission Room

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM

Commissioners Present: Rick Phillips, Beth Gralnick, Hal Shupack, Jeff Eglash, Peter Ottomano and Jess DiPasquale. Commissioner Brady absent.

Others Present: Officer Miceli, Patty Gay, Justin Reynolds and David DesRoches

1) Consideration/Approval of the minutes of the Special Meeting of February 16th, 2011

Commissioner Shupack motioned to approve the minutes, motion seconded by Commissioner DiPasquale. All in favor. Commissioner Gralnick abstained.

2) Presentation of Chief's report for interim period February, 2011

Some of the overtime for February was due to the snow and will be partially reimbursed. There were also criminal investigations causing overtime, line of duty injuries and light duty have caused overtime. The department has put an advertisement on the website to create a list of potential new officers. The closing date was February 28th and to date we have received 97 applications. Dr. Jetmore is available to come to the next commission meeting and talk about how he would conduct the testing.

Overtime looks bad but taking in to consideration the reimbursements and annualizing the overtime figure it is not so bad.

a. Report on conversation with Westport Chief Fiore on controlling overtime

Westport promoted three Sergeants to Lieutenants, which takes them out of the union, therefore cutting back on overtime.

3) Presentation by WPD Officer on TASER use and training

a. Presentation of both Safety Manual and Training Manual for TASERS

Officer Miceli handed out a one page summary of some key points. Officer Miceli and Officer Arnett are certified Taser trainers. Initial certification is eight hours of training, with six hours of classroom time and two hours of hands on training and the recertification is two hours and could be done in conjunction with their firearms training.

4) Discussion/Consideration of Adoption of TASER Policy/TASERS for PD

Tabled until meeting of March 15, 2011

a. Report by Chief on potential additional insurance costs

Tabled

5) Follow-up Items

None

6) Sub-committee Reports & Assignments

a. Citizen of the year update

Commissioner Shupack gave an update on citizen of the year. To date he has five proposals, four from organizations and one from an individual. Commissioner Shupack feels he will received one or two more.

7) Other Business

None

Commissioner Gralnick motioned to adjourn at 9:10 PM, motion seconded by Commissioner Ottomano. All in favor

Respectively submitted,

Ellen Jones
Recording Secretary