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TOWN OF NEWINGTON

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Police Department



Stephen Clark
Chief of Police

MINUTES
POLICE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Zoom Meeting
7:00 P.M.
June 8, 2022

In Attendance: Chief Clark
Todd Russell
Patricia Mahoney
Paul Alderucci
Nancy Baxter

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Called to Order at 7:05 PM

I. UPDATE ON DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

A. Staffing

The department currently has 6 vacancies with an additional vacancy expected in the next few weeks. One officer will be graduating the police academy in July and a second officer began his training at the academy on June 3, 2022.

C. Total Calls for Service January 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022 10,756. A breakdown of the calls is as follows:

- Burglary **23**
- Larceny **200**
- Car Breaks **113**
- Stolen Cars **16**
- Pistol Permits **101**
- Sexual Assaults **9**
- Traffic Stop Attempt- Failure to Stop **47**
- Traffic Stops **1,844**
- Arrests **331**

D. Activities

Planning continues on National Night Out, which is scheduled for August 2nd at the police department. The event will have free food and activities for kids.

II. NEWINGTON POLICE ACTIVE SHOOTER RESPONSE AND TRAINING

Chief Clark reviewed the department's active shooter response, annual training, and the equipment available to respond to an active shooter.

III. BODY WORN CAMERA UPDATE

The department signed a contract with WatchGuard-Motorola Solutions in November 2021. The department still has not taken delivery of the body cameras. The department is now looking at other options for another vendor.

IV. POLICE ACCREDITATION-LEGISLATIVE

As part of the police accountability legislation in Connecticut, all departments must be State accredited by January 2025. The department will be looking to add an accreditation manager to manage the process. The department currently meets all the state mandates on required policy and procedures.

V. RISK PROTECTION ORDERS AND FIREARM SEIZURE WARRANTS

Public Act 21-67 becomes effective on June 1, 2022, and provides family members, household members, and medical professionals with the ability to petition the courts for a Risk Protection Order investigation when they believe an individual is a danger to self or others, and in possession firearms. The court can order the police to investigate and determine if the individual poses a risk of imminent injury to self or others. If determined the individual is at risk, firearms can be seized and held pending a judicial hearing.

VI. MEMBERS COMMENT

None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Stephen Clark