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**Board of Police Commissioners
Tuesday, July 7, 2020 Meeting Minutes
7:00 PM ZOOM Meeting
Unapproved**

Board of Police Commissioners Present: Police Board Chairman Beth Gralnick, Police Board Vice Chairman Jess DiPasquale, Police Board Commissioners Susan Moch, Peter Ottomano, Dawn Egan and David Muller

Absent: Woody Bliss

Others Present: Chief Henion , Captain Brodacki and Ted Craft

Police Board Chairman Gralnick called the Zoom meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Consideration / Approval, June 2, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Police Board Chairman Gralnick made a motion to approve the June 2, 2020 meeting minutes, Police Board Commissioner Egan seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Chiefs Report

Chief Henion thanked Captain Brodacki for overseeing the Police Department while the Chief was out for three months due to COVID-19. The Commissioners said that the Chief and Captain are a great team. Captain Brodacki said that the Officers all stepped up to the plate.

Current Monthly Report OT/Budget (Changes) Updates – COVID-19 related overtime will be reimbursed. There were a number of officers out with COVID-19.

Regional Study for Westcog/ Facility – Chief Henion said that they did a draft study. When he receives the final report he will send it to the Commissioners.

Training Plan Modification / Active Shooter Federal Program – Weston will be doing this event sometime in August with surrounding towns as well.

Grant Updates / Donations / Vote – Emergency Management Grant has not come in yet. The Weston Police Department received a one thousand dollar donation from the Dana and Steven Spencer Fund. Police Board Commissioner Moch made a motion to accept the one thousand dollar donation from Dana and Steven Spencer fund, Police Board Commissioner Ottomano seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Facilities Update – Sgt. Joe Miceli is looking at the blueprints for the Police Department. The Police Department must address the code violations. The Police Department had to move the electric panel. The Chief and Captain are working with the 1st Selectman and the Town Administrator to create additional storage for the records department in the Police Department.

Police Department Radio Equipment – The radio equipment will be taken out of the radio tower budget.

Upcoming Rt. 57 State Bridge Project – August 3, 2020 the Road will be closed. Weston and Westport police officers will be on the road to help with traffic concerns.

IT Update and Shift in Services – Slight delay – The Police Department connected vendors with the School IT so they have a full understanding what we require. July 1, 2020 we will be using ICXpress Managed Services.

COVID-19 – Chief Henion said the Hartford Courant had an article in the paper regarding the Weston Police Department that we had a number of officers out from COVID-19.

Additional Business for Commission Consideration – None.

Weston Community Connectivity – Review of Sidewalk Proposal – Police Board Chairman Grlanick sent out the sidewalk proposals to the Commissioners – Crossing over Weston Center we will have the same traffic control but it will be enhanced with better signage and blinking lights. The Police Commissioners gave the Sidewalk Committee a thumbs up.

Bradley Road – Signs/Parking Issues – Police Board Chairman Gralnack made a motion to install on Bradley Road past the parking lot an additional sign that reads Dead End Sign, Commissioner Moch seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Sub-Committee Reports

Road signs - Police Board Commissioners Ottomano, Moch, Muller and Captain Brodacki have had Zoom meetings regarding the signs and the statues for cyclists on busy roads. The Commissioners would like to have these signs on Lyons Plains road, Route 53 and Route 57, Norfield Road, Old Hyde Road and School Road. The signs would be placed on the existing speed limit signs. The size of the signs would be 24 X 24 and would read Share the Road. It will have a picture of a cyclist, car and pedestrian. The signs have been ordered but we have not received them yet.

Clergy and Police Meeting – Commissioner Muller discussed the Religious Community Coalition.

Other Sub-Committee Updates – None at this time.

Police Board Chairman Gralnack made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:29 PM, seconded by Police Board Commissioner Egan motion passed unanimously.

The Commissioners came out of Executive Session at 8:50 PM and adjourned.

**Respectfully submitted
Mary Gunshor
Board of Police Commissioners Recording Secretary**