

Rutland City Police Commission Meeting

May 9, 2016

Present: Chairman Sean Sargeant, Vice Chairman Tom Calcagni, Commissioners Michelle Fairbrother, Luther Brown and Tom Valente

Others present: Chief Kilcullen, Commander Matt Prouty, Sgt. Keith Lorman

Chairman Sargeant calls the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Motion made by Commissioner Luther Brown and seconded by Michelle Fairbrother to accept the minutes of 4/11/16. Motion passed.

Introduction/Recognition of Police Department

None

Public Comment

None

Communication from the Union

None

Commander's Report

Nothing to report tonight as Commander Covell was called out, as he is death certified and Det. Jon Dickerson is not yet death certified.

Officers Heter and Morgano will be graduating from the Vermont Police Academy on May 20 at 10:00am.

Vice Chairman Calcagni will make arrangements for honoring Past Chairman Jensen and will try to have it prepared for the June meeting and will reach out to Executive Assistant Mary-Kaye Zambon for assistance.

Budget Report

Chief Kilcullen reports they are through 83% of the budget, 10 months of the year are complete with almost 79% spent. There are some expenditures that won't occur until June when the comp time will be paid out. Chairman Sargeant makes an inquiry with reference to training for the new parking kiosks that are awaiting approval. Chief Kilcullen indicates that Beat Officer Kevin Blongy will attend necessary training.

Chief's Report

National Communication and Animal Control officer week was celebrated the week of April 10-16.

Chief Kilcullen attended:

4/14/16 – A sex assault panel discussion that was well attended

4/14/16 - A fundraiser for the Boys & Girls Club which was well attended; fundraising goal was met

4/18/16 – Met with Keith Molnar at the Castleton University with reference to the housing they are working on at the corner of West and Merchants Row. It will house approximately 30-40 upper classmen and graduate assistants and will move in about August 20. A walk through was performed by Officer Kevin Blongy and Chief Kilcullen

- 4/21/16 – Commander Tucker and Brad GoodHale and Chief Kilcullen had been invited to the Washington DC open data initiative
- 4/26/16 – An opiate conference sponsored by the Department of Justice highlighting successful partnerships in Washington DC
- 4/29/16 – Attendance at the DARE graduation at the intermediate school with over 140 students in 5 classes receiving certificates with Commanders Covell and Prouty, Chief Kilcullen, Sgt. Lorman; SRO Greene and Officer Blongy presenting
- 5/4/16 – First Federal Drug Court graduation

Coming up:

- 5/15/16 – Chief Kilcullen to be the commencement speaker at the College of St. Josephs
- 5/17/16 – Building bright futures at BROOC
- 5/20/16 – Vermont Police Academy graduation with Officers Heter and Morgano graduating
- 5/20/16 – Police Memorial week with a small service by the Rutland PBA at 4:00pm at the Officer's memorial at the other side of City Hall

They are making progress on the contract negotiations.

The Rutland Herald Reader is doing a 12 week series highlighting the newer hires since 2014. The first three were Chief Kilcullen, Officer Ryan Ashe and Officer Nathan Harvey.

Training

Hazmat Training - Brad GoodHale is the instructor and has three classes in April
 Advanced Accident Investigation Training, 3 officers have been sent
 Active Shooter Training at Mill River High School
 Leadership in Police Organizations training, Sgt. Lorman and Sgt. Mosher are attending, with Sgt. Delpha and LaChance to attend in the fall

Upcoming Training

Fair and Impartial Policing for the Department - May 23 and 24
 Child Death investigations – Sgt. Dickerson to attend May 23 and 24
 Certification of Taser training - Corporals Whitehead and Lucia to attend
 Firearm Certification Testing – Sgt. Harvey, Loomis and Hunt 8/16 and 8/19 through 8/23
 LPO Training - Sergeants Lachance and Delpha to attend 8/29 to 9/2, with other dates of 10/3 to 10/7 and 10/31 to 11/4
 Child Safety Conference - CO Lynn Gallipo and Nora Moore to attend for certification in-car seat installation & safety

Mapping Update

Robin Weber, JD PhD from Crime Research Group present via Skype to review the mapping. The current report was reviewed and discussed to include; 325 Total calls for service comparing the weeks of 4/24/16 - 4/30/16 to 5/01/16 - 5/07/16 and 370 calls for service comparing weeks of 4/24/16-5/7/16 to last year's dates of 4/26/15 - 5/9/15. There was a breakdown of top 25 calls for service for each sector with heat charts. She also provided a review of domestic violence reports by year, from 2008 to 2015.

Discussions held. Commissioner Valente requests a breakdown of what is happening in Zone 3, the largest sector of the City. A deeper look into sector 3 calls for service will be prepared for the June meeting. Commissioner Valente to attend a RutStat meeting in the near future at his convenience.

There is a need to review the Inventory Control Policy and Procedures for the guns and ammunition, as there presently is not adequate controls over the inventory. There is a need for a keypad system or a swipe card system with a camera for the sensitive inventory. Discussions held. A report will be written for the commissioners signatures to be presented to the Board of Aldermen.

Executive Session

The executive session began, present with Police Commission Members, Chief Kilcullen, Commander Prouty and Sgt. Lorman to discuss matters that if disclosed publicly at this time, could place the City, the Department or an employee of the Department at risk.

Exited Executive Session at 7:46 p.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Valente to adjourn. Motion passed at 7:51p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Nancy Manning

cc: Police Commission
Mayor Chris Louras
Board of Aldermen
Union President Lynn Gallipo
Board of Aldermen