

**Rutland City Police Commission
Amended March 11, 2024**

Present: Acting Chairperson Pat Brougham, Commissioners Luther Brown, Tony Romeo, Alis Headlam and Peg Flory.

Also attending: Chief Kilcullen, Commander Delpha, Commander Whitehead, Commander Prouty, Nate Thibodeau, Officer Tim Rice, and others.

Call to Order 6:00pm.

Approval of the Minutes

Commissioner Romeo moved to approve the February 12, 2024, minutes. Commissioner Brown seconded. Motion was approved 4-0.

Introduction/Recognition of Police Department Members

Chief Kilcullen had no introductions.

Public Comment

None.

Communication from Union

Officer Rice reported that there will be a vote on the new union in April.

Commander's Reports

Commander Delpha reported that there are 2 people at the academy – one for level 2 training only.

Commander Whitehead reported that field training is going well. One officer will be done with training soon. They are doing Distracted Driving in April and there will be a promotional testing for Corporal. There are 5 officers to test. There are no current openings for the corporal rank.

Commander Prouty reported that the community response team supported Tim Tebow with Night to Shine, supported Red Cross last month with flood relief, Former Chief Baker here last month working with department of public safety to reduce violence – modeling VISION – other cities came, Charter house in Middlebury invited them to speak about what they are doing with homeless population. One position open. Conducted interviews with 5 people and made recommendations.

Mapping Update

Nate presented the mapping update. Forecasting call volume up from last year but total calls are just below last year. Calls, traffic stops and D-pat, YTD crime reports are down a bit on violent crime/up on larceny type crimes and weapon thefts, automobile increased due to one person who stole several cars, larceny from MV is down, overdoses up, hotel call volume just slightly down.

Budget Report

Chief Kilcullen reviewed the budget. We are about 68% through the budget at this point because of overtime. Some information is lacking from the budget, not sure how it is working, these are questions for HR or the Treasurer. Overspent on overtime right now.

Chief's Report

Chief Kilcullen reported that there is one position for which they will be making an offer. There is one dispatcher starting later this month. Part-time dispatchers and other employees have filled in/helped to cover dispatch. Anticipating an opening in record clerk later this month. One of the detectives is leaving to go to a federal agency. Training includes collection/processing of evidence, 3 sent to armorer class, one sent to school resource training in Winooski, one attending de-escalation training. Upcoming training – DUI (sworn members), testimony training (sworn), command leadership training (2), struggle-well training (one person). Police week in DC is coming up in May. May 13th there is a candlelight vigil, events during the week, memorial service sponsored by FOP. The Chief wants to make this available to all members who wish to go to DC. Will allow as much as possible but will need to meet staffing needs.

Adjournment

Commissioner Romeo moved to adjourn. Commissioner Brown seconded. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting called to close at 7:24 pm.

Submitted by Pat Brougham

CC: Chief Brian Kilcullen
Mayor Mike Doenges
Police Commission
City Clerk Tracy Kapusta
Board of Aldermen
Union President