



Bethel Police Commission

12 Judd Avenue
Bethel, CT 06801
Amy Mannion - Chairman

Minutes of Special Meeting
Bethel Police Commission
Bethel Police Department, 12 Judd Ave.
Thursday July 28, 2022, 6:00 pm

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Attending: Peter Valenti, Kevin Cleary, Richard Kolwicz, Patrick Morton, Chief Pugner
Absent: Chairman Amy Mannion

Commissioner Morton called the meeting @ 6:01 pm

1. Public Input:

No public input

2. Review of past minutes:

The motion to approve the minutes from the June 15, 2022 meeting was made by Comm. Kolwicz. Seconded by Comm. Cleary. Vote. All in favor, motion approved.

3. Budget Report:

Comptroller and Overtime reports: Chief Pugner said that the reports showed most of the end of the year figures. Discussion ensued. Comm. Cleary made a motion to accept the reports. Seconded by Comm. Kolwicz. Vote. All in favor, motion approved.

4: Old Business:

Chief Pugner updated the commission on the following topics:

Police Range Update: The referendum approving the money to complete the range was passed. The equipment was ordered and will be ready in 5-8 months.

Body Camera Update: Overall the cameras are working well. A discussion followed about the batteries and wearing on road jobs.

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New CAD System Update: Everyone is still getting used to the new system. There is more admin training coming up in a few weeks.

K9 Unit Update:

A bloodhound was donated a few weeks ago from a breeder in Virginia. Off. Robinson has brought her to several events and she is very friendly. Her official training for tracking will start in October.

5. New Business:

Monthly Reports, UCR: Chief Pugner printed out several different reports for the commission to see what information they would like each month. A discussion ensued regarding reports for Selective Enforcement.

17 Whitney Road: Lt. Durkin evaluated the traffic on Whitney Road for the proposed development and found no potential traffic issues. Comm. Cleary made a motion to accept Lt. Durkin's findings. Seconded by Comm. Cleary. Vote. All in favor, motion approved.

Pay Scale for New Officer: Chief Pugner explained that Off. Bria is an experienced officer from North Carolina and recommended he begin at Step 4 salary per the contract. Comm. Kolwicz made a motion to raise Off. Bria's salary to Step 4 upon completion of his Field Training. Seconded by Comm. Cleary. Vote. All in favor, motion approved.

Highland Ave. Parking: Chief Pugner noted that this topic was discussed at the last meeting. Comm. Cleary made a motion to remove it from the agenda. Seconded by Comm. Kolwicz. Vote. All in favor, motion approved.

6. Correspondence:

A letter of thanks and commendation for Off. Carter was received.

7. Chief's Report:

Sickness and Injury: Chief Pugner noted that 1 officer is back from sick leave and 1 officer is still out.

Personnel Hiring/Recruitment Update: Chief Pugner said there is a Special Commission meeting this Monday, August 1st for interviews. A discussion followed about questions for the candidates.

8. Executive Session

At 6:33 pm, Comm. Kolwicz made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss school security, inviting Chief Pugner and Secretary Kavallines. Comm. Cleary seconded the motion. The motion to end executive session was made by Comm. Cleary at 6:37 pm. Seconded by Comm. Kolwicz.

9. Commissioner's Comments

No comments.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Comm. Kolwicz at 6:39 pm. Seconded by Comm. Morton. Vote. All in favor, motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Kavallines".

Linda Kavallines, Recording Secretary