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**MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2015 – 7:00 PM
11 FRANKLIN STREET
SEYMOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Members Present: Lucy McConologue, Steve Chucta, William Paecht, Frank Conroy, and Robert Koskelowski.

Also In Attendance: Chief Michael Metzler, Inspector Joseph DeNigris, Officer John Oczkowski, Commander Roberto Rinaldi, and Officer Jonathan Martin

1. **Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.** by Chairwoman McConologue
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** was led by Commissioner Chucta.
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on May 20, 2015**
Steve Chucta/William Paecht motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 20, 2015. **MOTION:** 5:0
5. **Commissioners Comments:** Commissioner Paecht thanked the Chief and the Deputy Chief for coming to the dedication of the new flag pole at French Park.

Commissioner Conroy asked if the department could put up the speed sign in front of Ed's Cleaners.

6. Old Business:

- a. **Patrol Reports** - Board accepted the reports as handed out to them.
 - b. **Detective Reports** - Board accepted the reports as handed out to them.
 - c. **SRO Report** - Board accepted the report as handed out to them.
 - d. **K-9 Report** - At this time the new K-9 Officer, John Oczkowski, addressed the board. He stated that the new k-9 is doing a great job and training is going well.
 - e. **Car Report** - Board accepted report.
 - f. **Duty Manual Final Approval** - It has gotten the final approval from the Police Union William Paecht/Steve Chucta to accept the Duty Manual.
- MOTION:** 5:0

7. New Business:

Chief Metzler stated that Officer Martin will be in this evening to discuss the two grants he is working on to augment and enhance the K-9 Program.

Chief Metzler stated that one of our Officers who has been out on injury will be returning to work on light duty on June 26, 2015.

Chief Metzler also stated that there were two candidates that had been interviewed for the Community/SRO position yesterday and it was Officer John Harkins that had been hired for the position.

The Chief stated that the new cars have been ordered and portables have been ordered.

The recruits are in the department doing the FTO program and should be done by the end of July.

8. Management Report:

Chief Metzler stated that budget wise, we are doing very well, two cameras are being fixed at French Park and one at the police department. Chief Metzler also stated that the budget looks good and we should have a surplus at the end of the year. Also, he stated that he will be on vacation starting this Friday and will be returning on July 6th.

9. Correspondence:

Chief Metzler stated that three officers received letters of commendation regarding an incident that occurred with a woman who was threatening to do harm to herself and because of the Officers quick actions, the woman was transported to the hospital. The three officers were Officer Kevin Miceli, Officer Donald Scheithe, and Officer Patrick McCabe. There was another letter from Commander D'Antona to Sgt. Michael Fappiano, Officer Michael Santanelli, Officer Kevin Miceli, Officer Chris Gilloren and Officer John Oczkowski with assistance from the Inspector in regard to a chase and they worked together with the State and were able to catch the suspect. Chief sent a letter to Officer Michael Witek regarding his work hours and also spoke to him and he stated that he will give Inspector DeNigris a list of days he is able to work. There was a question in regard to the administrative leave policy and the Chief redistributed a copy to all Officers. Chief Metzler also received a letter from Officer Donald Scheithe taking full responsibility for his dog and a letter from Joseph Marini, who attended the Citizen's Academy, thanking the department for all that we do.

At this time, Officer Jonathan Martin addressed the board regarding the two grants he is working on to augment and enhance the K-9 Program. Chief stated that we had received a \$150.00 donation from Oxford Lumber for the K-9 Program.

10. Other Business:

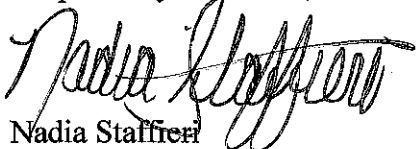
Commissioner Koskelowski asked if all Sergeants and Commanders are up to date on their training. Inspector DeNigris stated that Commander King and Sgt. Fappiano will be attending supervisory training for a two week course. Commissioner Koskelowski also asked if there were any promotions in the future. Chief Metzler stated that we are where we need to be right now. At this time, Commissioner Koskelowski inquired about an officer scheduled to go out of state for supervisory training. Discussions took place. Commissioner Koskelowski referred to section 8A.1 of the Town Charter and stated that the board should have authorized this training. Discussions took place. The Board decided to get clarification from Town Counsel to review section 8A.1 of the Town Charter and inquire if the Chief has the authority to send an officer for out of state training for any length of time. Chairwoman McConologue stated that she will contact Town Counsel via email tomorrow morning and get an answer from Town Counsel by tomorrow.

11. Adjournment:

William Paecht/Steve Chucta motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

MOTION: 5:0

Respectfully submitted,



Nadia Staffreni
Recording Secretary