

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
February 17, 2015

1. Chairman Savoy called the Regular Meeting of the Naugatuck Police Commission to order at 7:01 p.m.

Those in attendance were:

POLICE COMMISSION:

Stephanie Savoy
Steve Smith

ALTERNATES:

Jay Kuczenski

ABSENT:

Mayor Mezzo
Linda Mayfield
James San Angelo
Ralph Roper
Ronald Blanchard
Andy Barnes

DEPT. HEADS AND OTHERS:

Chief Christopher Edson
Deputy Chief Joshua Bernegger
Burgess Robert Burns
Burgess Rocky Vitale

Staff: 1
Press: 0
Public: 0

2. Chairman Savoy led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

3. ALTERNATES APPOINTED AS VOTING MEMBERS:

Chairman Savoy appointed J. Kuczenski as a voting member in the absence of Mayor Mezzo.

4. A motion by J. Kuczenski and seconded by S. Smith to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held on January 20, 2015.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

6. UNION BUSINESS: NONE

7. PRESENTATION OF CHIEF'S MONTHLY REPORTS:

A motion by J. Kuczenski and seconded by S. Smith to accept the Chief's monthly reports.

Discussion: Chief Edson distributed a copy of his proposed 2015/2016 budget. He didn't ask for an increase in the number of sworn members but requested he maintain his complement of 59. A new dispatcher and a part-time evidence clerk are once again included in the budget because they were eliminated last year. He will be pursuing the appointment of a sixth sergeant to the patrol division which would raise the number of sergeants to eight in the department. He will achieve this by promoting a patrolman and not filling the vacant position. He explained the need for extra supervision for patrol due to the large volume of calls for service. The Commissioners questioned the position of School Resource Officer at City Hill Middle School to which Chief Edson replied his three year request has repeatedly been denied so he will not include it in the budget. When asked about the D.A.R.E. program he said it was not funded in 2014/2015 and the Board of Education reported they had a program they would be implementing in its place. The majority of accounts remained the same with an increase to Maintenance Computers. The use of an outside contractor has added to the amount of the budget request.

Vote: Unanimous

A motion by S. Smith and seconded by J. Kuczenski to increase the number of sergeants in the department by one, resulting in eight sergeant positions.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous

8. CORRESPONDENCE: NONE
9. PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE
10. OPEN ITEMS: NONE
11. REPORTS FROM SUBCOMMITTEES: NONE
12. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL MATTERS FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS: Sergeant Derek Vostinak, Patrolman Ian Kosky and Patrolman John Julian:

A motion by J. Kuczenski and seconded by S. Smith to enter into Executive Session at 7:15 p.m. inviting in Chief Edson and Deputy Chief Bernegger.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous

The Regular Meeting resumed at 7:23 p.m.

13. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS: NONE

14. A motion by J. Kuczenski and seconded by S. Smith at 7:24 p.m. to adjourn to the next scheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at the Naugatuck Police Department.

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous

ATTEST:

Stephanie Savoy, Chairman
Naugatuck Police Commission

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