Easton Police Commission Regular Meeting

Easton Public Library Community Room December 8, 2014

The Easton Police Commission Meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by Vice Chairman Martin.

Present were: Raymond Martin, Vice Chairman

Marvin Gelfand, Commissioner Laurie Israel, Secretary pro tempore

Also present: Chief James Candee

Captain Rich Doyle

I. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

- A. Chief Candee presented the Commission with the 2015 Schedule for Police Commission meetings.
- B. Chief Candee received a letter from the Easton Board of Finance advising him of the 2015-16 Budget goals.
- C. Town Clerk Christine Halloran sent an email advising the Commission of agenda and minutes guidelines.
- D. The Commission received a request to consider the possibility of directional lines at the intersection of Route 136 and Route 59.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

III. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

- A. Chief Candee distributed his monthly report. Of note were 10 delays in response time, spread across the second and third shifts.
- B. Chief Candee provided an update on the Communications Console project.
- C. Vice Chairman Martin moved to table the discussion of the Adirondack Trail Subdivision. The undersigned commissioner moved to second the motion, which passed unopposed.

IV. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. Commissioner Gelfand moved to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2014, Regular Meeting, and the motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Martin. The motion passed unopposed.

- B. Chief Candee requested that his 5 unused vacation days from 2014 carry over into 2015. Vice Chairman Martin moved to approve the request, Commissioner Gelfand seconded the motion, and the motion passed unopposed.
- C. The Commission held a discussion about enforcement issues at the Trout Brook Valley Trail.
- D. There was no update on the hiring of a new Police Chief.
- E. The Commission discussed using Asset Forfeiture funds to purchase a rifle for Easton's Marksman/Observer. Vice Chairman Martin moved to approve the use of \$6280 in funds to pay for a custom built "sniper" rifle. Commissioner Gelfand seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- F. Vice Chairman Martin moved to add item G to New Business to discuss the use of PoliceApp.com in future hiring. Commissioner Gelfand seconded the motion. The motion passed without objection
- G. Following a discussion, Vice Chairman Martin moved to approve Chief Candee's use at his discretion and regardless of whether the need arises between Police Commission meetings of PoliceApp.com. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gelfand and passed unanimously.
- H. Vice Chairman Martin moved to add, as New Business item I, a request from Easton Director of Public Works, Ed Nagy. Commissioner Gelfand seconded the motion, which passed without objection.
- I. Following a discussion, Vice Chairman Martin moved to approve the placement of two stop signs at Easton Country Day School's new parent loop on the south side of the school at the crosswalk. Commissioner Gelfand seconded the motion. The motion passed without objection.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice Chairman Martin made a motion to go into Executive Session at 5:59 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gelfand. The Commission returned to Regular Session at 6:10 p.m. No motions were made and no votes were taken during Executive Session.

Commissioner Laurie Israel, Secretary pro tempore