

## OLD SAYBROOK POLICE COMMISSION

Special Meeting

January 5, 2017

MINUTES

A special meeting of the Old Saybrook Police Commission was held on Thursday, January 5, 2017 at the Old Saybrook Town Hall.

**Present:** Chairman Stuart, Vice Chairman Von Dassel, Secretary Moran and Commissioners Burnham Maselli, Coppes and Cooper. Chief Spera and Lieutenant Roche were present from the Department of Police Services.

This meeting was video and audio taped by the Town of Old Saybrook.

### I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Stuart called the meeting to order at 6:59 PM and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### II. Presentation and Discussion concerning the Proposed Operating and Capital Budgets for FY 2018

Chief Spera stated that he understands what a difficult job the Board of Selectman, Board of Finance and the Police Commission have. He stated there are many numbers in this budget that still have not been solidified but that the Police Commission must forward an approved budget to the Board of Selectman by January 15<sup>th</sup>. Most likely the budget will change at each step, with additions and reductions. Some key numbers that are not definite yet are health care, gasoline and the Police Officer salaries.

He stated that the Finance Director will attend the next special meeting to answer any questions the Police Commission has regarding the budget.

He then went on to present a Power Point slide show regarding the 2017-2018 Operating and Capital Budget and Marine Patrol Budget.

The Police Commission and Chief Spera discussed the Draft Operating and Capital budget and the marine patrol budget.

### III. Personnel Update

Chief Spera updated the Police Commission that Officer Brian Ziolkovski is still out on unpaid sick leave.

Officer Allyson Tanner is still working on her Special Assignment task due to her pregnancy and not being able to work road shifts.

He advised the Commission that an Officer is currently out on paid administrative leave pending a fitness for duty test.

He stated that the Police Department held a written test to hopefully fill the one vacant position.

He stated that he expects another Officer to make a lateral move to another Police Department very soon.

He advised the Commission that he has received a grievance from Sam Barnes regarding his reassignment to patrol. He is meeting with the grievance committee soon in accordance with the Police Union contract. The following step after that is meeting with the Police Commission.

IV. **Adjournment**

Commissioner Maselli made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Von Dassel. The motion to adjourn passed by a vote of 7 in favor and 0 against.

The meeting adjourned at 9:49 PM.

*The next regular Police Commission meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the first floor conference room at the Old Saybrook Town Hall.*

Respectfully submitted by:

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Jennifer Damato  
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