

Rutland Police Commission

February 8, 2016

Present: Chairman Larry Jensen; Commissioners Sean Sargeant, Michelle Fairbrother
Others present: Chief Kilcullen, Commander Covell, Commander Tucker and Sgt. Prouty

Not Present: Commissioner Tom Calcagni, Commissioner Luther Brown

Chairman Jensen calls the meeting to order at 6:00pm

Motion made by Commissioner Sargeant and seconded by Commissioner Fairbrother to approve January 11, 2016 minutes. Motion passed

Introduction/Recognitions

None

Public Comment

Tim Johnson of Robbins St, Rutland, VT wanted to address concerns he has in his neighborhood. He indicates that for the past 3-4 weeks there have been a lot of speeders with very loud exhausts traveling up and down his road. Chief Kilcullen will follow up and see what they can find as to who is doing it.

Communication from the Union

None

Commander's Report

Commander Tucker indicates they took 10 partners with them for a visit to the Legislature last Tuesday. Chief Kilcullen visited with the Rutland delegations; attended the VT Police Association piece and spoke about the marijuana bill that has made it out of the Judiciary Committee and explained why it would be a bad idea to pass the marijuana bill; attended the House Education Committee and Joe Krause spoke about Pre K focus for schools.

Commander Tucker goes to New Orleans at the end of March.

Mapping

Dave Harrington shows the preview of the annual report. He reports the current data driven policing initiative versus the traditional model; reactive vs. proactive; focusing on trends and comparison of numbers from 2014 to 2015.

Some of the results include: Part I index crimes for property - 79 burglary incidents in 2015 with 129 reported in 2014, which is a 38.8% decrease. Burglaries are up in the state. Overall there is a 60% decrease; 490 larceny reported in 2014 compared to 620 in 2015, a decrease of 21%; 78 DUIs in 2014 and 134 in 2015; Part II crimes are down .04% from 2282 in 2014 to 2281 in 2015.

Comparing the top 50 calls for service for 2014 and 2015; 9147 in 2014 and 8823 in 2015, which is a decrease just over 3%; Traffic crashed are down 6%; Motor vehicle thefts are up 72.7% from 2014 with 11 in 2014 and 19 in 2015; there were two arson calls in 2014 and one in 2015; violent crime index from 4.1 to 4.6 from 2014 and 2015, an increase of 12.2%; Property crime index 47.8% in 2014 and 36.9% in 2015 decrease of 22.8%; Combined crime index 51.9% in 2014 and 41.5% in 2015 a decrease of 20%.

Budget

They are just about where they should be with the budget being through 7 /12ths of the year at 58 1/3%.

Chief's Report

Chief Kilcullen attended Waiver Training Recertification and qualified at the Vermont Police Academy 1/11/16 through 1/15/16 and learned things about Vermont that he didn't know; on 1/18/16 Chief Kilcullen was on the panel for an MLK Forum at the College of St. Joseph's; Chief Kilcullen met with Colonial Birmingham of the Vermont State Police on 1/20/16; on 1/20/16 and 1/21/16 Chief Kilcullen held promotional interviews for a Sergeant. Cpl. Keith Lorman has been promoted to Sergeant; on 1/21/16 Chief Kilcullen attended the Boys and Girls Club Board of Directors meeting; on 2/2/16 there was a radio phone interview from Louisiana scheduled for Chief Kilcullen, Commander Covell and Brad GoodHale; on 2/4/16 Chief Kilcullen was a guest speaker at the Rotary South; 2/8/16 there was a Vermont Labor Relations Board training in Montpelier that Chief Kilcullen and Sgt. Prouty attended on contract grievances; on 2/10/16 Chief Kilcullen will meet with Mary Nemeth of the RRMC and will attend the Democratic Committee Candidate Forum being held at the Rutland Free Library at 6:30pm; Union negotiations will begin with an upcoming meeting set for 2/11/16 and 2/18/16; The Winterfest is scheduled for 2/12/16 to include sledding down Center St; on 2/19/16, there will be a retirement luncheon at the Franklin Conference Center for Commander Geno; on 2/25/16 there will be a Public presentation at the Franklin Conference Center at 6:00 to report the results of Police Departments 2015 initiatives & efforts. Invitations have been extended to the Board of Aldermen and Mayor Louras via email with the public invite to be sent this week.

Chief Kilcullen indicates that they had made a second request on 1/27/16 with a follow up on 2/6/16 to the IACP with reference to the final bill.

Officer Heter and Officer Morgano are attending the full time police academy from 2/1/16 to 5/20/16.

Completed trainings include: 1/19/16 Taser Instruction Re-certification training for Cpl. Whitehead and Police Officer Lucia; 1/19/16 FTO Update; 1/24/16 to 2/5/16 Drug Recognition Expert School in Burlington for Police Officer Lucia and Arizona training from 2/21/16 to 2/26/16; 1/25/16 to 1/29/16 FTO School for Cpl. Nguyen, Police Officers Plemmons and Anderson; 1/27/16 NCIC Full service Terminal Operator training at the Vermont Fire Academy for Cpl. Dickerson & Cpl. Alger.

Upcoming trainings include: 2/13/16 and 2/14/16 ALERRT Training at Hartford Police Department for Cpl. Dickerson, Police Officers Hunt, Harvey and Anderson; 2/18/16 FTO Refresher for Corporals Whitehead and Police Officer Lucia; 2/23/16 Verbal Judo Training at Laconia Police Dept. for Cpl. Nguyen; 3/9/16 and 3/11/16 Bleeding Control for the Injured by the Regional Ambulance for all sworn employees; 3/22 to 3/23/16 Property Room Management Seminar at Valhalla, NY for Melissa Sharkis; 4/11, 12, 18 HAZMAT Training 2016 by Brad GoodHale, all sworn personnel and communication operators.

The department just received a bill for \$3,552.00 from Rutland Regional Medical Center for recruitment physicals/new hire exams done over a 3 year period since 2013 due to a billing error.

Motion made by Commissioner Fairbrother and seconded by Commissioner Sargeant to adjourn at 7:15 p.m.

Submitted by:
Nancy Manning

cc: Police Commission
City Clerk Henry Heck
Board of Aldermen
Union President Lynn Gallipo