

## **Rutland City Police Commission**

July 10, 2017

Present: Chairman Sargeant, Commissioners Luther Brown, Tom Calcagni, Michelle Fairbrother, and Tom Valente

Others present: Chief Brian Kilcullen, Commander LaChance, Sgt. Lorman and Analyst Brad GoodHale

Chairman Sargeant calls the meeting to order at 6:00pm with the opening of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Commissioner Calcagni and seconded by Commissioner Brown to accept the minutes of June 12, 2017 with Commissioner Fairbrother abstaining. Motion passes.

### **Introduction /Recognition of Police Department Members**

None

### **Public Comment**

Letter was received from Thomas Massi of Food Stuff Inc. with thanks for the vigilance and professionalism that was shown for the incident of the store on South Main St. There has been positive feedback as to the bike patrol.

### **Communication from the Union**

The Union is looking forward to completion from this body with reference to the new policies for the procedures and policy manual.

### **Commander's Report**

Commander Prouty reports that the Officer Down 5K is coming to Rutland downtown on September 16 and will be out reported on social media shortly for what will be going on. They are awaiting the insurance binder to complete the permit process. Tim Jones will be the running specialist.

Commander LaChance indicates that Officer Meytin started on July 3 as a detective for CFAC and his position will be filled in August. There are three officers currently scheduled to attend the Academy (with one additional new hire pending). Officers Billings and Dumas should be off FTO by August 1 and September 1.

6/5 to 15 - Officer Nate Hickey completed level 2 certification training and has begun his FTO. He has passed the PT to go to full time academy.

RPD is involved in the Leadership Project for Rutland with Mary Cohen, Sara Gilbert and Joe Kraus, which is a non-profit program that focuses on community through private partnerships. Mixers are to be scheduled.

Sgt. Sam Delpha and the BCI unit completed the Sex Offender Registry checks and all were in compliance.

The new hires will go through the Assessment Center on Wednesday and Thursday.

Motion made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Calcagni to authorize Chairman Sargeant to sign Directive Number 432, approving the new Narcan use policy.

Motion passed after discussion. The training will be put on by the health department and the administrator will begin the training that is required to carry Narcan.

### **Mapping Update**

The 4 year average is compared to where we are in 2017:

Robberies - 4 year average is 5, 5 for 2017 - 0% increase  
Aggravated assaults - average is 25, 29 for 2017 - 16% increase  
Burglaries force - average is 38, 15 for 2016 - 61% decrease  
Burglaries no force - average is 24, 17 for 2017 - 29% decrease  
Larcenies - average is 261, 201 for 2017 - 23% decrease  
Civil drug complaints - average is 12, 25 for 2017 - 108% increase  
DUI - average is 45, 60 for 2017 - 33% increase  
Mental Health - average is 48, 89 for 2017 - 85% increase

There were 15 Fireworks calls from the entire period of May, June, July and August of 2014 with 31 calls in 2015; 28 calls in 2016 and so far for the period of May, June and to July 10, there have been 36 calls for 2017. Discussions held. They are watching this data very closely due to injuries reported to RRMC.

Next Analyst GoodHale reports on Time of Day/Day of week calls for service for 2013 to 2017 to show where most of the calls for service are. The highest is on Fridays around 6:00pm. Arrests are reported to be from midnight to 1:00am on Saturdays. Time of call for overdoses is reported to be 3:00, 7:00 and 8:00 and most frequent day is on Thursdays.

There have been 3 overdoses since the last RutStat meeting and that will be updated for the morning meeting. Calls for pickup of needles reported are up by another 13 calls. Discussions held as to the Governor's Opiate Counsel recommendation of drop boxes.

The counter drug analyst is doing Intel and is putting out more briefs and networking. There is now an open data platform on Rutlandcitypolice.com

Analyst Brad GoodHale has been extended an invitation to a 6 week program at the University of Foreign Military and Foreign Studies in Leavenworth, a premiere critical thinking school.

### **Budget Report**

95.93% of the budget has been spent as reported on the preliminary final report for 2017. \$13,000 in bills have been identified that have yet to be processed. Discussions held as to the deficit. Speed detection devices were purchased and once the grants come in, those expenses will come off the budget. They will have a better understanding next week as to the insurance premiums and payroll.

Chief Kilcullen has asked the Board of Aldermen to budget year end payouts. There were a couple of retirements in 2017 that were not budgeted. There are two retirees anticipated for 2018.

It is still a year down the road before relief is coming from overtime as four officers will attend the academy and will graduate in November with post basic following. The officers will then be available to us in March, and the department will be fully staffed without losing anyone. Discussions held.

### **Chief's Update**

6/13/17 - Chief Kilcullen met with the new City HR Director, Suzanne Ellis.

6/15/17 - Chairman Sargeant and Chief Kilcullen again met with Suzanne Ellis - she attended a RutStat meeting two weeks ago and will meet the VISION partners tomorrow.

6/14/17 - City Charter and Ordinance Committee meeting was held with reference to the curb and sidewalk parking issues. City Attorney Matt Bloomer will prepare language to bring back to the board to try to change the city charter ordinance. Discussions held.

6/14/17 - Fiscal bids have been awarded to: Howard's for car repairs; Wells for radios and Galls for uniforms.

6/21/17 - Chairman Sargeant, along with the Police and Fire Department, reported on the City's response to the windstorm on May 5 to the full board at the Public Safety Meeting; talked about changes that will be made going forward.

6/21/17 - Mayor Allaire and Chief Kilcullen met with the residents on Chestnut Avenue about the activity there.

6/23/17- helped serve lunch at the TRIAD Senior Picnic and had a lot of fun

6/30/17 - Sanctuary House Graduation.

7/5/17 - met with CARFAX, a service that the department participates in. It is a database service that investigators can utilize and can run vehicles in and may help in investigations.

7/6/17 - Public Safety meeting was held at Green Mountain Power from 10 to 2 for Command Staff and all Sergeants.

7/7 - Chief Kilcullen met with Treasurer Wendy Wilton to go through the compliance of the last two positions to fill.

7/13 - Monthly Project Vision meeting at noon.

8/1/17 - National Night out at Giorgetti Park.

Started with fiscal 2018, salary increases went into effect, last 2 years of contract.

Commander Tucker will age out on September 16.

### **Completed Training**

6/12 - Dispatchers Brady and Leinoff attended Crisis Negotiation Training.

6/19 to 21 - Officers Klementowski and Morgano completed the IPMBA Police Cyclist Course.

6/16 to 23 - Evidence Coordinator Sharkis completed Basic Crime Scene Investigation Training in PA. She will participate with the VSP in a task force approach to be able to pull from other departments when the need arises. An MOU will be issued to start working with them. She has begun training the new evidence bar code system.

6/28 - Sgt. Lorman participated in a Mental Health Crises Training.

### **Upcoming training**

Cpl. Lucia will be attending an IACP event in Maryland for a drug/alcohol impaired driving training.

Commissioner Valente inquires how the bike patrol is going. Chief Kilcullen indicates that the officers are loving bike patrol, and the public likes to see the officers on bikes. Things are going very well with the four trained bike officers.

### **Personnel**

Officer Morgano has returned to work after a duty related injury and went directly to bike school. Officer Rosario is still out on a work related issue.

Motion made at 7:24pm by Commissioner Calcagni and seconded by Commissioner Brown to go into executive session under Title 1, Section 313 of Vermont Statutes, evaluation of Public Officer and motion passed.

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