

Rutland Police Commissioner
December 11, 2017

Present: Chairman Sean Sargeant; Commissioner Michelle Fairbrother; Thomas Calcagni

Others present: Chief Brian Kilcullen; Commander Matthew Prouty, Analyst Brad GoodHale; Evidence Coordinator Melissa Sharkis

Not Present: Commissioner Luther Brown

Chairman Sargeant calls the meeting to order at 6:02pm opening with the Pledge of Allegiance

Motion made by Commissioner Fairbrother to accept the minutes of November 13, 2017 and seconded by Commissioner Calcagni. Motion passed.

Introduction/Recognition of Police Department Members

Chief Kilcullen swears in Corporal Jon Dickerson to Sgt. Jon Dickerson

Public Comment

None

Communication from the Union

As of January 1, 2018, Melissa Sharkis will be the Liaison. Nothing to report today.

Commander's Report

Commander Prouty reports on VISION. He reports that Analyst GoodHale has successfully completed the 6 week school in Leavenworth. At the end of this month, they will start working on the first quarter analysis for DDACT.

Chief Kilcullen set up a meeting for tomorrow with the task force from Portland, ME who requested to look at the DMI that was done in Rutland City. It will be shared as to lessons learned and will indicate what has been done and what has not been done. The FBI, local law enforcement and community outreach folks will be in attendance.

There was a police assisted addiction response initiative training in Gloucester, MA for substance abuse disorders. Commander Prouty and Sgt. Whitehead did a presentation on their model from their first National Convention 12/6 and 12/7. They are looking at Plymouth County for their model as it is the closest to our goals. Our hub model includes methadone and suboxone providers.

Mapping Update

Analyst Brad GoodHale reports for the 2013-2016 year to date crimes and calls through November for the 4 year comparison.

Robbery - Average is 6; 8 for 2017; up 33%
Aggravated Assault - Average is 37; 62 for 2017; up 68%
Burglary, force - Average is 60, 63 for 2017; up 5%
Burglaries, no force - Average is 45; 38 for 20167; down 16%
Larceny - Average is 434; 415 for 2017; down 4%
Vandalism - Average is 178; 153 for 2017; down 14%
Regulated drugs, sale - Average 4; 8 for 2017; up 100%

Questions were asked of the aggravated assaults as to why they are up and it was reported that the officers are questioning better along with better case work and investigations by patrol is leading to the increase.

A request is made to recheck the average numbers. Analyst GoodHale will do an update.

He next reports the 3peat highlights for RutStat tomorrow showing it is at 15.8% of the call volume for the two week period.

Friday is still the highest day of calls for 2013 2016 - through 11/30/17 with high time of day dropping to 6:00pm. He will run the numbers to include service of relief from abuse orders and will report that number.

Reporting of found needles for the last two week period it shows one, but since the last meeting it is up 3 from 188 pickups.

Analyst GoodHale reports the training overview for the Applied Critical Thinking class that he completed.

Budget

5 months through year at 42%, 40% through the budget and are just where we should be. Mary Markowski is Acting Treasurer until March 2018.

Chief's Report

11/13 - Baskets for Food for Needy Families were put together

11/17 - Vermont Police Academy Graduation was held with three graduating. Two were awarded the highest academic average and received plaques. Officer Nate Hickey was chosen by the class for passion and integrity.

11/22 to 26 - Click It or Ticket; tickets and warnings

11/27 - The second community meeting was held for the Southwest Neighborhood at the Dream Center for Sector 2 by Sgt. Lorman. The first community meeting was a combination of sectors 1 and 4.

12/5 - The City Taxi meeting was held to review some of the publications for Taxi Cab licenses in the City and addressed issues with a particular driver.

12/7 - The Awards Ceremony was held with an 11 year old child being highlighted.

12/14 - Shop for a Cop event coordinated by Cpl. Plemmons with the assistance of the Union, Kiwanis Club and Walmart.

12/19 - A Public Safety meeting on the budget was held with the final meeting scheduled for 12/20/17.

12/22 - Annual Policeman's Benevolent Association Ball.

12/18 - Jason Williams is in the hiring process.

A 2013 Chevy Malibu was chosen for the new used vehicle for BCI with low mileage.

The shift bidding is complete. A list has been handed out and will become effective 1/7/18.

12/1 - Any outside employment requests are to be handed in with review scheduled for January. Contract negotiations start in January.

Training

Analyst GoodHale completed the 6 week Critical Thinking class in Fort Leavenworth, KS. Sgt. Delpha, Detective Anderson and Investigator Ashe attended performance training in MA

Upcoming Training

Firearms training is this week.

2.26 to 3.2 - DUI Detection and Standard Field Sobriety Instructor Development course.

A question was asked from a commissioner as to whether they believe that a second DRE person is necessary. Chief Kilcullen indicates that Commander Sheldon is considering recommending a second person for DRE and states that Sgt. Lucia is outperforming DREs in the State and is doing well.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fairbrother and seconded by Commissioner Calcagni to go into executive session under Title 1, Chapter 313a3, Disciplinary or Dismissal of Public Officer or Employee. Motion passed.

Executive Session

The executive session began, present with police commission members, Chief Kilcullen, Commander Prouty to discuss matters that if disclosed publicly at this time, could place the City, the Department or an employee of the department at risk.

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cc: Chief Brian Kilcullen
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Police Commission
City Clerk Henry Heck
Board of Aldermen
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