

**Rutland City Police Commission**  
November 13, 2017

Present: Chairman Sean Sargeant, Commissioner Luther Brown, Michelle Fairbrother  
Not Present: Commissioners Tom Calcagni

Others Present: Chief Brian Kilcullen, Sgt. Ken Mosher, Commander Gregory Sheldon,  
Commander David LaChance

**Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Sargeant at 6:01pm led by the Pledge of Allegiance

**Introduction/Recognition**

Chief Kilcullen swears in Officer Jeffrey Warfle as Corporal Warfle.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion to accept the approval of the minutes for October 13, 2017 made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Fairbrother. Motion passed.

**Public Comment**

Mr. Wallace Nolan of 142 Merchants Row, Rutland City, is present to address concerns he has with violations of the American's Disability Act to include: not using FCC call codes; willful violations of signage for on and off street parking; lack of enforcement for handicapped parking in parking lots, including the Rutland Shopping Center. He had a complaint that the crosswalks were not prominent enough and DPW will take care of them in the Spring. He claims that because of his complaints with reference to the FCC, he is being harassed. Chairman Sargeant has issued a lengthy request through the City Attorney to compile Mr. Nolan's request for information for public records and they are in the process of completing that request.

Chairman Sargeant indicated he received information that John Webster wanted to apologize for his inappropriate behavior when police took away his marijuana.

Chief Kilcullen indicates he received a thank you note written on behalf of Officer Rosario who took time out of his day to follow up on a call with reference to a young boy who was having a difficult day at the Sheldon Academy. The head of the school had come outside where the boy was playing basketball and had seen the interaction with the boy and Officer Rosario and indicated that the smile on the boy's face was priceless to know that the officer had come to check up on him as he had been told.

**Communication from the Union**

None

**Commander's Report**

There was an active shooters drill in September at RRM. Laminated copies of the RRM floor plan have been made for active shooters and if they were not secure, it could cost \$10,000. Commander Sheldon commends Sgt. Ken Mosher with reference to his solution of mounting key boxes for bags from RRM and locking them in the trunks of the cruisers. RRM will supply needed tourniquets to Beth Winters, the Emergency Management person.

Cpl. Warfle and Sgt. Lucia will attend DUI Instructor School.

Sgt. Mosher to work with Fire/Arson Inspector Jim Cruise to schedule an ICS training to be in compliance with Federal mandates.

Firearms training is scheduled for next month.

Dispatchers are happy, as some clean up has been done and an accent wall is being displayed in Dispatch.

### **Mapping Update**

Analyst Brad GoodHale is attending a Critical Thinking Class in Fort Leavenworth for 5 weeks.

Chief Kilcullen gives the mapping update starting with 2013 - 2016 year to date crimes and calls for service from 1/1/17 to 9/30/17 showing the 4 year average comparison to 2017.

Robberies - 4 year average is 6 with 8 for 2017, up 33%

Aggravated assaults - 40 on average, with 58 in 2017, up 45%

Burglaries, forced - 64 on average, with 56 in 2017, down 13% - with the burglary sprees in June and July

Burglaries, not forced - 47 on average, at 36 for 2017, down 23%

Larcenies - 488 on average, at 408 for 2017, down 16%

Vandalisms - 192 on average, 138 for 2017, down 28%

Accidents are down

False alarms are up a little

Intoxicated persons are up a little

Mental Health assistance is down, average is 133, with 80 in 2017

He then reports the 3peats as reported to RutStat. 214 3peat locations have been reported 455 times in RutStat 2017.

Chief Kilcullen indicates that quarterly analysis of 3peats is going to be done, three weeks prior to 10/23 compared to three weeks after 10/23.

DDACTS reporting for Zone 1 (15 patrols) identified times, mapped out 3peat locations, more proactive on knocking on doors; Zone 2 (6 patrols) southwest - three weeks prior to 10/23 and three weeks since 10/23; Zone 3 (16 patrols) route to take into other DDACT zones

CAD calls by day of week and time of day 2013-2016.

Reported needles for 2017 179 +18; reported overdoses for 2017 60 +6.

They are still waiting for approval on the Narcan Policy.

12/7/17 - The Awards Banquet is scheduled for 10:00am at The College of St. Joseph's at Tuttle Hall.

12/27/17 - Annual Policeman's Ball is scheduled.

### **Budget Report**

One third of the way through the year at 32% - 4 months of the year. The 2019 budget has been submitted and a request has been made to maintain the positions in fiscal 2018. 39 positions were funded in the operating budget with a promise to fund 40 if filled.

### **Chief's Report**

Recently promoted Sgt. Jon Dickerson will be sworn in next month, as he is not present tonight due to a family emergency.

10/21/17 - Shear Heaven sponsored its annual fund raiser to feed families in Rutland City and delivery of the food to be done by the Police Department.

10/25/17 - Fundraiser at Southside Steakhouse where they raised \$3,700 with Police and Fire waiting tables and soliciting donations for the Boys and Girls Club with 10% of the proceeds going to the WSYB Christmas Fund.

10/26/17 - A parking ordinance committee meeting was held. They are still trying to figure out parking in the area between the edge of the road and the sidewalk. There are few options, one being to ban parking there at all times and other options are being contemplated by the board. They are still trying to figure out that issue.

10/31/17 - Mayor Allaire met with Dick Courcelle with discussions to include: expanding mobile health crises in the State, to increase the number of positions in Rutland with the Commissioner of the Dept of Mental Health to explore more; chronic alcoholism in the City and needing conversations on what can be done about it; police assisted recovery response initiative and who should be on the team.

11/3/17 - Sgt Whitehead has completed his 3rd week of LPO. His final presentation was for wellness of dispatchers. Since it is a sedentary job, he presented a solution to include treadmills and stationary bicycles. Chief Kilcullen indicates he will review the possibility, as the idea has real merit.

11/7/17 - Chartered Ordinance meeting was held to address the taxi ordinance.

11/8/17 - The first community meeting for sectors 1 & 4 with Sgt. Bartlett and Sgt. Lucia.

11/9/17 - Feeding Families baskets were put together.

### **Upcoming Events**

11/27/17 - Community meeting scheduled for 6:00pm at the Dream Center.

11/30/17 - Jingle and Mingle, United Way Fundraiser.

12/7/17 - Community Meeting at the Leahy Conference Center at RRMC at 6:00pm.

12/22/17 - Annual Policeman's Ball at the Palms.

City Hall is now working with the new automated payroll system.

Four bids were recently received for another car. Looking at a 2013 Chevy Malibu for \$13,500 with a 100,000 power train warranty with 63,000 left on it. A Jeep Liberty will be purchased for BCI. Detailing for the marked cars will now be done by Stone and Motor Company.

A new Union contract will be negotiated starting in January 2018.

Completed Trainings

Officer Ashe – attended the Reid Interview and Interrogation School.

PT testing, awards to be supplied.

Officer Reilly - Firearms training.

Analyst Brad GoodHale has completed week 2 of a 5 week course at Fort Leavenworth.

CPR and First Aid training with Admin and BCI.

Sgt. Whitehead - LPO Training.

Sergeants Lorman, Dickerson and Lucia attended the Multi Cultural Conference along with Commissioner Brown.

Sgt. Lorman, Officer Heter and CO Brady were scheduled to attend a Group Crisis training, however it was cancelled and it needs to be rescheduled.

Officer Cleveland had attended Counter Ambush Attack Training.

Victimization Conference was held in Killington.

Communications Operator Walters attended Active Shooter Training.

Officer Czachor participated in training at the Springfield PD.

Commander Sheldon – attended the Highway Safety Conference.

Upcoming Training

12/4 and 12/5/17 - Sgt. Delpha, Det. Anderson and Investigator Ashe to attend an Informants Class.

The plan is to expand Corporals Field Training needs to Police Officer.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Fairbrother and seconded by Commissioner Brown at 7:13pm. Motion passed.

Executive Session

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

Submitted by:

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cc: Chief Brian Kilcullen  
Mayor David Allaire  
Police Commission  
City Clerk Henry Heck  
Board of Aldermen  
Union President Brad GoodHale