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A regular meeting of the Stamford Police Commission was held on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 5:00pm at Stamford Police Headquarters.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners Fedele, Bass, Jackson, Findeisen and Aveiro. Chief Timothy Shaw, Assistant Chief Silas Redd, Lt. Michael Noto, Sgts. Richard Gasparino and Christopher Gioielli and Director Ted Jankowski

Commissioner Fedele called meeting to order at 5:07pm

Review of Minutes

Minutes from last month were accepted by Commissioner Findeisen and second by Commissioner Jackson. All in favor.

Employee Performance Recognition

Chief Shaw mentioned a benefit hockey game for Officer Robinson that was held on April 30 and wanted to express his thanks to Lt. C. Baker and Officer D. O'Brien who spearheaded this game between the SPD and SFD.

Commissioner Awards

Commissioner Awards were presented to Officer DeRocco and Officer Spinosa, 2 for Officer Kuhn, Officer Spear, Spinella and Fox

Comments from Public

Josh Brown would like to speak to the Commission in Executive Session – not on the agenda, but the Commission approved to hear him.

Personnel Update

Chief Shaw informed us we now have 15 recruits in the Milford Academy, 2 graduating from the Waterbury Academy on May 5, 2022 and 5 openings in the Police Academy in June.

Administrative & Operations Report

Police Foundation Crime Stoppers is working with NOC to pay information to get guns off the street.

Sgt. Gioielli spoke about the Quarterly IA Complains:

11 Complains received, one Use of Force-EMS had to sedate an EDP and Officer had to hold them down, one Intimidation.

From 2016 – 2019 averaged 13.7 complaints a year

In 2022 – 44 complaints

In 2021 – 61 complaints

In 2022 – 40 complaints so far

IA received 75% of complaints on line.

Community Engagement

A/C Redd told us that the school of Our Lady of Mercy in Glenbrook 100 children between 3-5 years of age were so thrilled that Officers came to their school and sang songs and brought different police vehicles for them to sit in. Commissioner Jackson coordinated this and said the children and nuns were so very happy.

On Easter weekend, the Yearwood Center along with Bethel AME Church had an Easter egg hunt for 150 children and some of our specialty units and vehicles were there.

Islamic Community on Saturday and Sunday in April had Officers engage with children at their center on West Avenue.

Agudath Shalom had a Men's Club meeting with 65 members at a Q&A with Officers. This was quite a success.

Guatemalan Community along with Tabernacle Church in Christ had a presentation by Officers on how to avoid being a victim of a crime.

Shoulder to Shoulder still helping those in 'dark' places to have some sense of normalcy in their lives.

Chief Shaw informed us that May is Mental Health Awareness Month and thanks to the Stamford Police Foundation, we had one of our patrol cars wrapped with a sleeve. This Patrol car will be placed in different areas around the city and driven as well.

Mill River had an event and the SRT Beat Cat was there – kids love this piece of equipment and flock to it the minute it arrives anywhere.

Chief Redd stated that PAL is going strong and steady. It is going to be a tremendous resource for the community for years to come with enrichment programs. Commissioner Fedeles asked about the time line. Lt. Noto said lease is negotiated, sign is up, and lease and insurance should be completed by the end of the week.

Old/New Business

Board of Finance cut \$500,000 of our operating budget and Fiscal Committee cut \$266,000 from operating budget.

Commission went into Executive Session at 5:53pm by Commissioner Findeisen and second Commissioner Bass to hear an appeal from Josh Brown regarding is application process.

Commission came out of Executive Session at 6:45pm

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Fedele at 6:46pm.

Submitted,

Michael Fedele

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Chairperson