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A regular meeting of the Stamford Police Commission was held on Monday, March 6, 2023 at 5:00pm at Stamford Police Headquarters.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners Fedele, Bass, Jackson, Findeisen and Aveiro. Also in attendance was Chief Shaw, Assistant Chief Redd, Assistant Chief Conklin, Captain Noto, Lieutenant Gasparino and Sgt. Engstrand

Commissioner Fedele called meeting to order at 5:06pm

Review of Minutes

Commissioner Fedele made a motion to accept the minutes from the February 6, 2023 meeting; Commissioner Jackson accepted and Commissioner Aveiro second, all were in favor.

Employee Performance Recognition

Combined with the Commissioner Awards

Commissioner Awards

Lt. Novia read a commendation letter for an incident on 77 Prospect Street with regard to a domestic assault and finding guns, credit cards and cash. The following Sworn Officers received awards: Sgt. D. Sheperis, Officers A. Miller, J. Williams, V. Lynn and Speer. Probationary Police Officers F. Dogali, Zoppi, J. Lopez and Vickerman.

Lt. Deiso presented Investigator Burdi with an award because of his relentless investigation and arrest of a suspect in the manslaughter of a 32 year old male.

Lt. Montagnese read a letter commending Police Officers Franc and Doughan in saving the life of a prisoner in the jail on New Year's Eve.

Lt. Junes read a letter from the Public School System thanking Officer Franc for her devotion to a 17 year old ALS Stamford High School student on his birthday and making him "Officer of the Day".

Captain Baker commended the following Police Officers in their work capturing the suspect killed his 2 year old son. The Officers, Blake Jarvis and Mercado were not in attendance but Officer Cordova received an award.

Chief Shaw commended Special Police Officer Peter Gould for his dedication and steadfast work with the Department as the “Lone” officer in our city parks.

Lt. Dohmann read a thank you letter from a family who requested a welfare check on their brother. Officers McGinn, Roselle and Tyghter-Twigg went to the house and there was no answer. They called the Fire Department for entry into the home and found the brother on the floor, unresponsive. CRP was started and because of their determination in getting into this home a man’s life was saved.

Comments from Public

Nothing at this time

Personnel Update

The Commission went into Executive Session at 5:43pm to discuss the appeal of a Grievance from SPA regarding Officer Stephane Smarth. Commission came out of Executive Session at 6:30pm

Administrative & Operations Report

Tabled

Community Engagement

Chief Redd spoke about the program Shoulder to Shoulder that has run its course. This program was established to bring resources to those in need. We did have some success stories but not as many as we would have liked. We will now be brining resources to section of Stamford that have issues with alcohol and drugs on City streets and sidewalks. City Representatives from Districts 5 and 9 presented to a meeting a “No Drinking on Public Streets/Sidewalks. By spring we should have a City Ordinance in effect where by officers issue summons to those drinking.

Old/New Business

Lt. Gasparino informed the Commission that we have 10 new candidates and 5 leftover candidates for interviews for the April 6, 2023 academy. The CHIP test will be given to all 15 on March 16, 2023. The Interviews will commence on March 29, 2023 beginning at 4:00pm.

Chief Shaw updated all regarding the new Training Academy room on the 3rd floor of headquarters – it is a go.

Commissioner Fedeles made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was accepted by Commissioner Jackson and second by Commissioner Findeisen. Meeting was officially adjourned at 6:41pm

Next Regular meeting will be April 3, 2023 at 5:00pm

Submitted,

Michael Fedeles

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Chairperson