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A regular meeting of the Stamford Police Commission was held on Monday, October 2, 2023, at 5:00pm at Stamford Police Headquarters.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners Fedele, Bass, Jackson, Findeisen and Aveiro. Assistant Chiefs Redd and Conklin, Capt. Noto, Lt. Gasparino and Sgt. M. Connelly. Visitors: Joe Hickey and Anita Carpenter, SPA Attorney Grecco, Officer Buehler and SPA President D. O'Meara.

Commissioner Fedele called meeting to order at 4:59pm

Review of Minutes

Commissioner Fedele made a motion to accept the minutes from the two September meetings. Commissioner Findeisen accepted and Commissioner Jackson second.

Employee Performance Recognition

Nothing at this time

Commissioner Awards

The Commission awarded Certificates of Recognition to City employees Anita Carpenter and Joe Hickey from the Grants Department. Both of these employees work very diligently to get the police department grants. Since 2019 they have gotten the SPD \$3.3+ million in grants. One of which is the BHU partnership for \$1.65m over a 5-year period which pays for an added Police Officer and another Social Worker in our Behavior Health Unit.

Comments from Public

Nothing at this time

Personnel Update

Commission went into Executive Session at 5:04pm to hear the appeal from Officer Buehler regarding his Citizen Complaint CC2023-020.

Commission came out of Executive Session at 6:49pm. The Commission concurs with the Chief's discipline of 4 days suspension.

Administrative & Operations Report

A/C Redd spoke about the Patrol Division being very busy with traffic enforcement especially in the North District and are taking action on all the calls they are receiving.

Youth Bureau, SVU, BHU are also very busy,

Community Engagement

On October 28 the SPD will be hosting its 3rd annual State gun buy-back from 10-2pm at police headquarters. Guns will receive between @25.00-\$200.00 depending on the type of gun. Commissioner Findeisen asked what the department will do with the guns we receive. A/C Redd informed the Commission they will be destroyed.

Old/New Business

Assistant Chief Conklin reported that 4 years ago there was a brutal homicide of a 26-year-old in the south end. A verdict came today of guilty and the suspect getting 50 years in prison.

Assistant Chief Redd updated the Commission on the Recruiting Team and all the colleges they have been at recently. We have an entry level test on November 4, 2023, with an application deadline of October 13, 2023. We have to date 124 applicants. We are looking to start our SPD Academy in Headquarters in the late spring of 2024. Commissioner Findeisen asked what number our ideal goal for applicants would be. Lt. Gasparino said close to 500 would be nice. Lt. Gasparino said we are looking to give 4 tests per year.

Commissioner Fedele adjourned the meeting at 6:57pm with Commissioner Findeisen seconding. Next meeting will be November 6, 2023.

Submitted,

Michael Fedele

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Chairperson