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A regular meeting of the Stamford Police Commission was held on Monday, January 9, 2023 at 5:00pm at Stamford Police Headquarters.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners Fedele, Bass, Jackson and Aveiro. Commissioner Findeisen was absent. Also present, Chief Shaw, A/C Conklin, Capt. Noto, Lieutenant Gasparino, Sgt. Engstrand, and Carmen Hughes

Commissioner Fedele called meeting to order at 5:04pm

Review of Minutes

Commissioner Fedele asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meetings. Commissioner Bass made motion and Commission Aveiro second. All in favor – motion passed.

Employee Performance Recognition

Nothing at this time

Commissioner Awards

The Commission presented several Commission Awards to officers who were recommended because of their extraordinary performance on an incident.

Comments from Public

John Flynn was again at the meeting and spoke to the Commission on another matter regarding signatures he had gotten to run for State Senator. Also Sam Magliari was in attendance and spoke to the Commission regarding his on-going issues with the Police Department.

Personnel Update

Officer Lunney presented the Commission with a Grievance he was appealing. Commission listened to his presentation and went into Executive Session at 5:38pm. They came out of Executive Session at 5:45pm and informed Officer Lunney that his appeal was denied.

Administrative & Operations Report

Lieutenant Gasparino gave the Commission the yearly report on I/A cases for the year 2022.

He also informed the Commission the hiring process was going well and that they should have at least 10 candidates for the Commission to interview in March for an April 16 Academy.

Chief Shaw stated at the next meeting he would inform the Commission on the homicide of the 2 year old.

Traffic Enforcement/CARS Unit responded on December 3 to two pedestrians struck and killed by a driver. Officers Yanicky, Fisher and Whitehead will be commended for their skill and professionalism regarding the investigation.

BHU Unit has 68 open cases, they received 81 in December, they closed 34 and 21 were carried over from November. This unit made 103 referrals for juveniles, mentally challenged, homeless. They worked with a Youth Crisis Clinician to help a 13 year old runaway. They were able to get her into treatment. Also worked with the Public Defender, Pacific House and Dubois Center to make sure that a client took medication and he was able to submit housing applications and will be relocating to his own place within the next few weeks.

A/C Conklin made a point of informing the Commission that the Gun Stoppers Program that is funded by the Stamford Police Foundation is a very successful tool. NOC unit seized a fully loaded Glock .40 caliber handgun with its serial number scratched off. After suspect ran into Officer Gale and his K-9 partner the suspect surrendered.

NOC had a very successful arrest in December which led to the seizure of 40 lbs. of marijuana, over 175,000 cash, ~\$100,000 worth of jewelry, ~ \$50,000 in designer shoes, clothing and handbags and a 2017 Jeep Cherokee. His bank accounts have an estimated \$200,000.

Community Engagement

Chief Shaw announces that after A/C Redd and Conklin made a presentation regarding our PAL program to the Umbrella Club they gave us \$50,000 for PAL going forward. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Old/New Business

BOE Active Shooter Training is going forward and dialog between the BOE and Captain Baker and Lt. Phillips is taking place.

Chief Shaw updated the Commission on the Training Academy for the SPD which is making headway. Mayor Simmons was able to get a grant for this and hopefully sometime in 2023 we will break ground.

Chief Shaw said that either in the Summer or Fall we will have another entry level exam.

Commissioner Fedele asked for a motion to be made to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Jackson made a motion and Commissioner Aveiro second. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:03pm

Submitted,

Michael Fedele

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Chairperson