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A regular meeting of the Stamford Police Commission was held on Monday, July 12, 2021 at 5:00pm at Stamford Police Headquarters.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners Abbazia, Bass, Mercede, Flinn, Figueroa. Chief Timothy Shaw, Assistant Chief's Louis DeRubeis and Silas Redd, Lt. Sean Cooney, Sgts. Richard Gasparino and Christopher Gioielli and Director T. Jankowski

Commissioner Abbazia called meeting to order at 5:00pm

Review of Minutes

Commissioner Bass made a motion to approve the minutes from last meeting and Commissioner Figueroa second. All in favor.

Good Conduct by Officers:

Table until the next meeting

Commissioner Awards:

Chief Shaw mentioned that later we would highlight Engineering Manager Gerard and his janitorial staff the hard work they did in cleaning up the bottom floor from the flood we sustained on July 9, 2021.

A/C DeRubeis informed the Commission that on Saturday July 10 in the morning a canoe turned over 150' off the beach and that 4 young lifeguards from Woodway Beach Club were on the scene and giving one person CPR until our Harbor Unit arrived, Police and Fire. Both victims had life vests on but were not buckled. One person unfortunately did not make it and succumbed to his injury at the hospital.

Comments from the Public:

None

Personnel Issues:

Chief Shaw – Officers Wellness Training was completed. The training was for financial, physical and stress / mental training.

Retirements for the month of July and August: Sgt. P. Guzda, Sgt. C. White, Officer J. Stackpole, Capt. S. Bretthauer, Officer M. Vitti and Officer F. Rodrigues. August will be Officer D. Rodriguez. Hoping for a test in fall / early 2022 for new hires, Captains, Lieutenants and Sgts.

Administration and Operating

A/C Redd: 14 year old assaulted at the train station by an 18 year old and two juveniles. Victim lost his mom to homicide. Chief Shaw spoke to the victim and his grandmother (who is trying her hardest to straighten him out). A/C Redd has reached out to the victim and his grandmother with numerous programs and avenues to take but the 14 year old continues to embrace behaviors of the street. His probation officer has fitted him with an ankle bracelet; he is forbidden to enter Stamford (he lives in Bridgeport). If he enters Stamford, we are instructed to take him into custody and transfer him the Bridgeport Correctional.

A/C DeRubeis: On June 4, a group while in Vet's Park stabbed a 31 year old. The injuries were serious but victim will recover. Two were arrested for assault and the stabber was identified and arrested.

Shots fired into a house on Ursula Place June 26. 4 casings were located in the driveway and several holes were in the walls and closet door. No injuries.

Sgt. Boeger has put together a pattern of the 5 armed robberies that have occurred recently and will work on catching the suspects.

Quarterly Report of Complaints

Sgt. Gioielli stated the first six months of the year 32 complaints were registered. 17 are closed. Of the 17 2 were sustainable and 2 not sustainable.

Old/New Business:

Commissioner Figueroa asked about BWC Training. A/C DeRubeis informed everyone that all officers are up to date on BWC Training

Commission went into Executive Session at 5:23pm.

Commission interviewed 7 Officers for the two open Sgt. positions.

Officer Jonathan Rizzitello
Officer Paul DeRiu
Officer Will Garay
Officer Marc Federlein
Officer Jason Deems
Officer Ed Davis
Officer Phil Neri

Commission came out of Executive Session at 17:12pm

Commissioner Figueroa made a motion to promote the following Officers in this order

Will Garay
Paul DeRiu

Commissioner Mercede second. All were in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 17:13pm

Submitted,

Timothy Abbazia

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Chairperson