

LOWELL METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSION
May 9, 2013

The Lowell Metropolitan Police Commission met in regular session on Thursday, May 9, 2013 at the Lowell Town Hall.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Commissioner Keith Kilmer, present
Commissioner Sharon Patterson, present
Commissioner John Piper, present
Commissioner Allan Fox, present
Commissioner Martin Freeman, absent
Chief Erik Matson, present

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a brief moment of silence.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES APRIL 11, 2013 REGULAR MEETING AND APRIL 11, 2013 EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Commissioner Patterson made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 11th meeting, seconded by Commissioner Fox. 4 ayes, motion passed.

Commissioner Piper made a motion to accept the minutes from the Executive Session April 11, 2013, seconded by Commissioner Fox. 4 ayes, motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS/EXPENDITURES

Commissioner Piper made a motion to approve the Claims and Expenditures and to send them to the Town Council for payment. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. 4 ayes, motion passed.

V. CHIEF'S REPORT AND THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES OR MEMBERS

Chief Matson advised the Commission that the hiring process for new dispatchers is ongoing. A new dispatcher, Cheri Powers from Demotte, has been hired to fill the full time dispatcher opening. She is certified in EMD, IDACS, and CPR. Her start date is set for May 20th. Once she is trained, the process to hire part time dispatchers will begin. Chief Matson stated that the new generator will be in by next Tuesday and will only take a day to set up.

Chief Matson advised the Commission that Officer Philbin has completed his psychological, polygraph, and physical examinations for the hiring process. Once the pension board has been completed and approved the paper work will be sent down state for PERF approval. Officer Philbin has passed everything.

Chief Matson further stated that the two laptops have been purchased and assigned to Officer Schuyler and Officer Chase.

VI. INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

VII. OLD BUSINESS

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Piper made a motion to support the offer of the Chief to hire Cheri Powers as the new full time dispatcher. Commissioner Piper seconded the motion. 4 ayes, motion passed.

IX. PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND COMMUNICATIONS

Angie Fletcher stated that she was able to attend the Community Policing led by Officer Knight and Officer Schuyler and that they were very informative and well done.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

An announcement was made that there will be another Community Policing meeting coming up this week. The subject will be Cyber Crimes and Protecting Seniors against them.

President Kilmer asked if the Police Department has a call out system and Chief Matson advised they do. President Kilmer suggested that the Police Department use this system to inform parents of the next Community Policing Meeting that focuses on bullying.

President Kilmer asked if the Town Council had approved the playing of TAPS over the siren once a week instead of the 7 o'clock siren. Chief Matson stated that it was suggested, but not moved on.

President Kilmer announced that the next Commission Meeting will take place June 11th at 7 p.m.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Piper to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Patterson. 4 ayes, motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm

Keith Kilmer, President

Martin Freeman, Secretary