

LOWELL METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSION
November 13th, 2014

The Lowell Metropolitan Police Commission met in regular session on November 13th, 2014 at the Lowell Town Hall.

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

I. Roll Call

Commissioner Keith Kilmer, absent
Commissioner Sharon Patterson, present
Commissioner John Piper, present
Commissioner Ray Borchert, present
Commissioner Michael Mears, absent
Chief Erik Matson, present
Attorney Nicole Bennett, present

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 9, 2014 REGULAR SESSION

Commissioner Borchert made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 9th, 2014 regular session, seconded by Commissioner Piper. 3 ayes, motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 22, 2014 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Piper made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 22, 2014 Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Borchert. 3 ayes, motion passed.

V. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS/EXPENDITURES

Commissioner Borchert made a motion to approve the October Claims/Expenditures, seconded by Commissioner Piper. 3 ayes, motion passed.

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

Chief Matson requested approval on a conditional offer of employment to be made to Neil Olson, based on passing all of the PERF requirements.

Chief Matson stated that with the hire of Neil Olson, more Reserve Officers will be needed. He requested permission from the Commission to advertise for new Reserve Officers.

Chief Matson stated the new cars are being equipped and they should be ready by the end of next week.

Chief Matson requested that the re certification payments be approved for payment if the money is available.

Commissioner Borchert asked about the "if" of the money being available. Chief Matson stated that the Clerk Treasurer believes everything should be fine, but she wanted to specify the "if" in the motion, in case the funds are not there. Chief Matson also advised

the Commission that this is a higher than normal re certification amount because the dispatchers have re certified this year for EMD training, and also a lot of Officers re certified in the data master.

Commissioner Borchert asked if the Re certification pay is part of the salary pay and Chief Matson replied that in the salary ordinance it is written “if funds are available.”

VII. INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

There were none.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Piper made a motion to approve a conditional offer of employment to Neil Olson for the position of probationary Patrol Officer, seconded by Commissioner Borchert. 3 ayes, motion passed.

Commissioner Borchert made a motion to approve the Chief to start the process of hiring new Reserve Officers, seconded by Commissioner Piper. 3 ayes, motion passed.

Commissioner Piper made a motion to approve the Re Certification payments based on the availability of funds, seconded by Commissioner Borchert. 3 ayes, motion passed.

X. PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND COMMUNICATIONS

A reporter from the Lowell Tribune asked Chief Matson about the recent break ins around town. Chief Matson replied that three unlocked vehicles were broken into. Chief Matson stated his advice would be to lock your vehicles and your homes and do not leave valuables in view.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Commission meeting will be December 11th at 6:30.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Mears made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Piper. 3 ayes, motion passed

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Keith Kilmer, President

John Piper, Secretary

