

LOWELL METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSION
April 27th, 2023

The Lowell Metropolitan Police Commission met in regular session on April 27th, 2023, at the Lowell Town Hall.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

I. Roll Call

Commissioner LeAnn Angerman, present

Commissioner Sharon Patterson, absent

Commissioner Ray Borchert, present

Commissioner Mark Schwartz, absent

Commissioner David Regan, present

Chief James Woestman, present

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE March 23rd, 2023, REGULAR SESSION

Commissioner Borchert made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 23rd, 2023, Regular session, seconded by Commissioner Regan. 3 ayes, motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS/EXPENDITURES

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

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

Chief Woestman informed the Commission there have been no officers out with COVID-19 related issues and the Police Department is still at 113.5 shifts lost due to COVID-19.

Chief Woestman stated the written test for promotions has been scheduled for May 13th.

Chief Woestman stated that Officer Nathaniel Ricci was sworn in and will start immediately, putting the department at 19 officers. He will start the Police Academy in August.

Chief Woestman stated the Town Council approved the purchase of 3 in stock Dodge Durangos. The vehicles were needed with the new hire and mechanical issues that have depleted the pool car stock.

The Chief further stated he hopes the 3 vehicles originally ordered will be eventually built and delivered.

Chief Woestman stated he has begun to assess what will be needed to restart the K9 program. He further stated what a valuable asset it would be in criminal drug interdiction, officer safety, and public outreach and that the bulk of the costs will be covered by donations from the public, businesses and organizations. He also added the insurance premium would not change.

VI. INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

There were none.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Chief Woestman presented Officer Matthew Philbin with the Officer of the Year Award.

IX. PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND COMMUNICATIONS

There was none.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

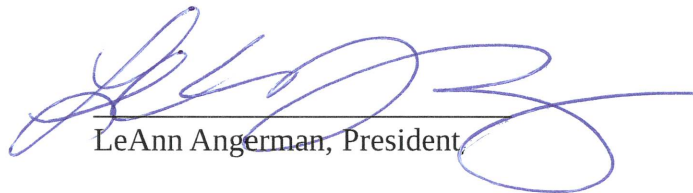
The next Police Commission meeting was set for April 25th, 2023, at 7 pm.

Commissioner Angerman requested an email to be sent out to all Commissioners for an agreeable time to start the interviews for the promotional process that were set for May 23rd and May 25th.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Borchert made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Regan. 3 ayes, motion passed.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p m.



LeAnn Angerman, President

Mark Schwartz, Secretary