# Wolfeboro Police Commission Meeting Minutes February 15, 2018

<u>Members present:</u> Chairman Steve Wood, Ron Goodgame and Vice-Chair Joe Balboni Jr. (via phone)

**<u>Staff present:</u>** Chief Rondeau and Captain Livie.

Chairman Wood called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM and introduced the Commissioners, staff in attendance and noted a quorum was present.

## > Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Wood entertained the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Consideration of Minutes**

• Public minutes of the January 18, 2018 regular meeting.

<u>Commissioner Ron Goodgame moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to accept the public</u> <u>minutes of January 18, 2018 as submitted. Commissioner Joe Balboni Jr. seconded. Members</u> <u>voted, and being none opposed, the motion passed.</u>

### Activity Reports

Chief Rondeau reported on the following activity reports for the month:

**Incidents:** He reported 39 incidents for the month, a 13% decrease from last month.

Offenses by month: He reported 57 offenses for the month, which is a decrease.

Arrest status report: He reported 18 arrests for the month, which is a 3% decrease from the previous month.

**Collisions YTD and Accidents by street name:** He reported 13 accidents last month, which is a 30% increase from the previous month.

**Traffic stops YTD and location breakdown report:** He reported 168 stops last month, which is a 32% increase.

**Personnel Analysis report:** The report is a synopsis of each officer's reporting for the month.

School Resource Officer (SRO): The SRO provided his monthly report.

**Detectives Report:** He reviewed the Detective's report, who reports to have closed 75% of his cases this past month.

# Chief's Items

Chief Rondeau reported the following:

- He noted that the Department conducted two internal budget reviews for fiscal year 2017.
- He conducted a staff meeting on January 31st.
- He and the Captain attended the Budget Committee hearing on January 4<sup>th</sup> at the Town and the Deliberative Session on February 6<sup>th</sup>. Town voting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM.
- He and the Captain met with the architects relative to the Public Safety Building to provide input and answered questions. The staff also provided the architects with a tour of the facility.
- He and the Captain continue to attend, the men's breakfast meetings, the Board of Selectmen's meetings, and Coffee and Connections on Wolfeboro Community TV.
- He recently spoke to NPR with other Chief's on the opioid crisis.
- The Prosecutor reports 18 defendants that responded to 22 offenses this month, 16 were found guilty, 3 charges were placed on file and 3 were nolle prosed. He reported \$6,086 in fines, penalties and/or restitution meted out.
- The Department will continue with speed enforcement in the areas of North Line Road, Beach Pond Road, Pine Hill Road, Center Street, North Main Street and 109 East.
- The following attended training in January; Executive Development series, Captain Livie, SART Training, Captain Livie, Sgt. Archambault, Sgt. Moore, Sgt. Maloney, SP Strauch, SP Spera, Det. Emerson, Officer Swift, Officer LaRochelle, and Officer Fenton. Crime Scene First Responder, Officer Swift.
- He continues to serve on the Governor's Committee for Human and Ethical treatment of animals and serve on Senator Bradley's legislative committee seeking to strengthen animal cruelty laws.

# DISCUSSION:

Chairman Wood stated with regards to the recent event in Parkland Florida, has the Department thought there will be a need for more School Resources officers.

Chief Rondeau replied that this has come up in past discussions among both the Governor Wentworth School District and Brewster Academy and feels it will probably be the future of the schools to have armed security and this is a nationwide issue. He stated it is the Department's issue to be proactive and are always discussing ways to do that and train for such situations. He stated that it is also the publics' responsibility to be proactive and watch for warning signs and report unusual behavior.

Chairman Wood agreed that the community also has to be mindful of its surroundings and situations and come forward if there is any questionable behavior, concerns or issues.

Chief Rondeau agreed and the School Resource Officer is a great resource and open to assist when needed, he stated that the Government is looking at changing the way schools operate and doing things differently than they had to do twenty years ago, it's a different world.

Commissioner Goodgame stated that it doesn't have to be a Police Officer to report to, it can be a trusted adult and suggested that the School Resource officer also offer some help in understanding this within the classes at the school.

Chief Rondeau agreed that is a great idea and will discuss that with the SRO to do something within the school classes such as Social Studies and extend the offer to Brewster Academy as well.

# Captain's Items None. Public Comment None. Board of Selectmen's Representative

n/a.

# **Questions from the Press**

None.

Being no further business before the Commission, Chairman Wood entertained a motion to enter non-public session to discuss personnel.

Commissioner Ron Goodgame moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission enter into non-public session RSA 91 A: 3, a to discuss personnel at 4:42 PM. Joe Balboni Jr. seconded. Roll call vote: Joe Balboni Jr.-yes, Ron Goodgame-yes and Steve Wood-yes, the motion passed.

The Commission re-entered public session at 6:13 PM.

<u>Commissioner Joe Balboni Jr. moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to seal the minutes of the January 18, 2018 non-public meeting. Ron Goodgame seconded. Roll call vote, Chairman Wood– yes, Ron Goodgame and Joe Balboni Jr. – yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.</u>

Being no further business before the Commission, Chairman Wood entertained a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Joe Balboni Jr. moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to adjourn at 6:15 PM. Commissioner Ron Goodgame seconded. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, **Amelia Capone-Muccio**