Wolfeboro Police Commission Meeting Minutes July 27, 2023

Members present: Chairman Steve Wood, Commissioner Robert O'Brien, and

Commissioner Shawn Coope

Staff present:

Captain Mark Livie, and Sherri Moore – Recording Secretary

Chairman Wood called the meeting to order at 2:35 PM.

Chairman Wood entertained a motion to enter non-public session to discuss Personnel and Litigation.

<u>Commissioner O'Brien moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to enter into non-public session RSA 91 A: 3, a to discuss Personnel and Litigation at 2:35 P.M. Commissioner Coope seconded. Roll call vote: Bob O'Brien – yes, Shawn Coope – yes and Steve Wood-yes, the motion passed.</u>

Being no further business before the Commission, Commissioner O'Brien entertained a motion to exit non-public session and re-enter public session after a short recess.

<u>Chairman Wood moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission exit non-public session RSA 91 A: 3, at 3:38 PM. Commissioner Coope seconded. Roll call vote: Shawn Coope-yes, and Steve Wood-yes, the motion passed.</u>

Chairman Wood entertained a motion to seal the Non-Public Minutes.

Commissioner Coope moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to seal the Non-Public Minutes. Commissioner O'Brien seconded. Roll Call vote: Bob O'Brien – yes, Shawn Coope – yes and Steve Wood-yes, the motion passed.

The Commission re-entered public session at 4:02 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Wood entertained the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of Minutes

Chairman Wood entertained a motion to accept the June 15, 2023, minutes as presented.

<u>Commissioner O'Brien moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to accept the June 15, 2023, public minutes as presented. Commissioner Coope seconded.</u>
<u>Members voted, all in favor, the motion passed.</u>

Activity Reports

Captain Livie reported on the following activity reports for the month of June:

Incidents: He reported 51 incidents, an increase from the previous month.

Offenses by month: He reported 105 offenses for the month.

Arrest status report: He reported an increase in arrests from the previous month, for a total of 32.

Collisions report: He reported 26 collisions in June, and it was a 225% increase. Chairman Wood inquired about what the Captain would attribute that too? Captain Livie responded that he would have to look into the reports to know.

Traffic stops report: He reported 265 traffic stops, an increase from last month, and 19 tickets were issued out of those stops. The Department started pulling Highway Safety Grants in June and that is why there was an increase in these numbers.

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

School Resource Officer (SRO): Report read into Minutes. See attached. No, report from SRO Jason Boucher.

Detectives Report: Report read into minutes. See attached.

Chief's Items

N/A

Captain's Items

Captain Livie read the Chief's monthly report. The Captain also included budget information with his report. Report and slides attached.

Questions from the Press

None

Lieutenant's Items

None

Commissioner's Items

Chairman Wood shared that the next Police Commission meeting is Thursday, August 24, 2023, and it will be in the <u>Beaver Room</u> at the Wolfeboro Public Library (not the Bradley Room). The August meeting will be held on the fourth Thursday.

Budget Committee's Representative

Budget Committee member, Tom Bell shared that the Town Manager has distributed the 2024 budget guidelines. He encouraged that if there is anything the Police Department needs help working on, to reach out.

Board of Selectmen's Representative

Brian Deshaies, Selectmen representative, shared that people who are doing construction downtown can get a waiver to park their vehicles. He suggested they could post it in their vehicles and then send the information to the Town Manager. Then when calls come in there would be a list to reference.

Brian Deshaies went on to share that he did some research on endorsing Warrant Articles. The Police Commission does not have permission to have an endorsement/recommendation on Warrant Articles. All past Warrant Articles are still valid.

Commissioner Wood responded that he does not know when that originated.

Brian Deshaies responded that the DAR has not said anything to the Town about it to date.

Brian Deshaies shared that the Selectmen will be working on a sidewalk ordinance for businesses. They will have to show proof on their deed as to whether or not they own sidewalk space...then be allowed to have tables and chairs out.

Public Comment

Chairman Wood acknowledged Josephine Amatucci (who had asked to be put on the Meeting Agenda). He shared that he wanted to apologize to Josephine regarding a question she had asked about the M.R.I. investigative process. It was the Town Council that initiated the M.R.I. investigation.

Josephine Amatucci inquired if they had finished the investigation.

Chairman Wood responded no.

Josephine Amatucci remarked that Commissioner Wood said it would be ending in June and it's written in the newspaper as that.

Chairman Wood replied that they have results.

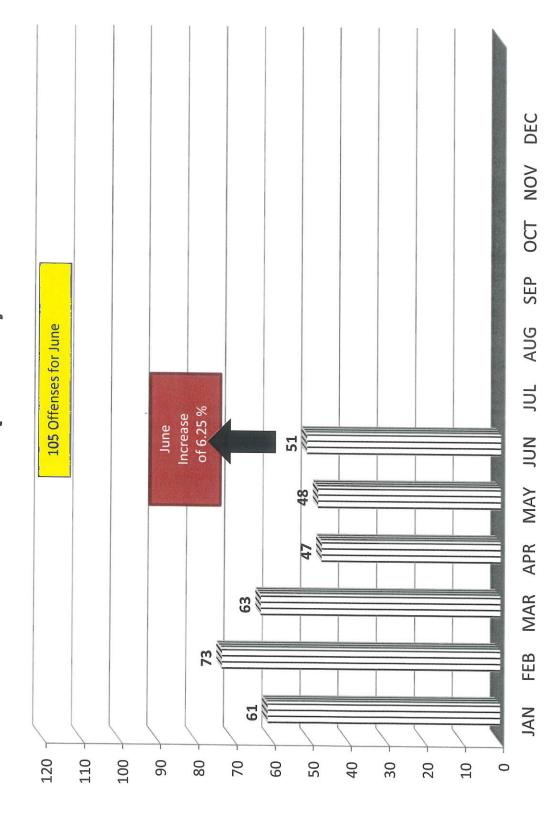
Josephine Amatucci insisted that she wants the results. She would go on to recite a newspaper quote. She then commented that once the investigation is inactive that Commissioner Wood is going to give her everything in the report now. She then went on to read from a paper she had written and had given to Commissioner Wood at the beginning of the meeting. Her paper has been attached.

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

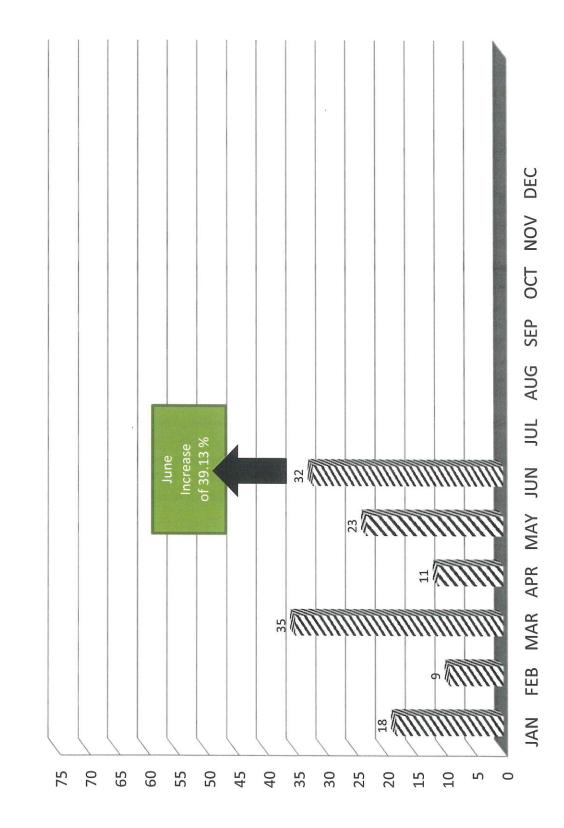
Commissioner O'Brien moved the Wolfeboro Police Commission to adjourn at 4:53 PM. Commissioner Coope seconded. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, **Sherri Moore**

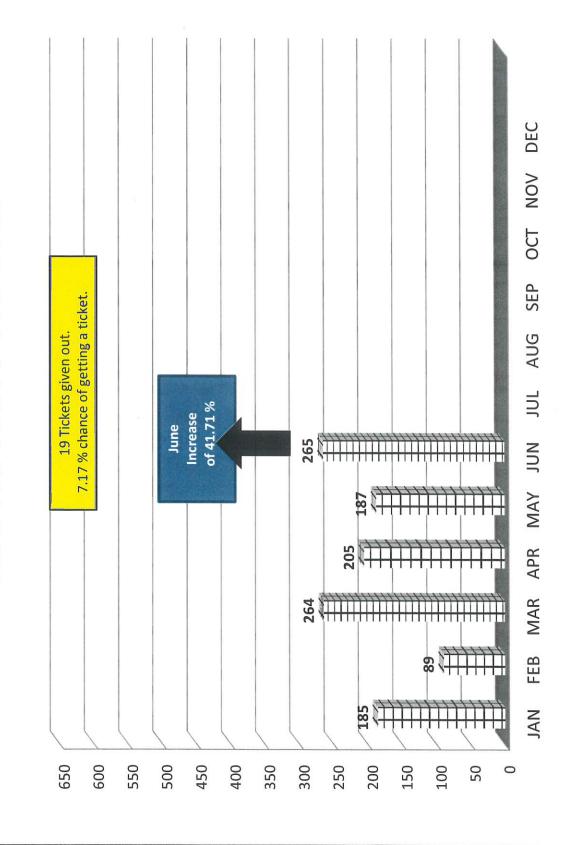
INCIDENTS (CASES) YTD 2023

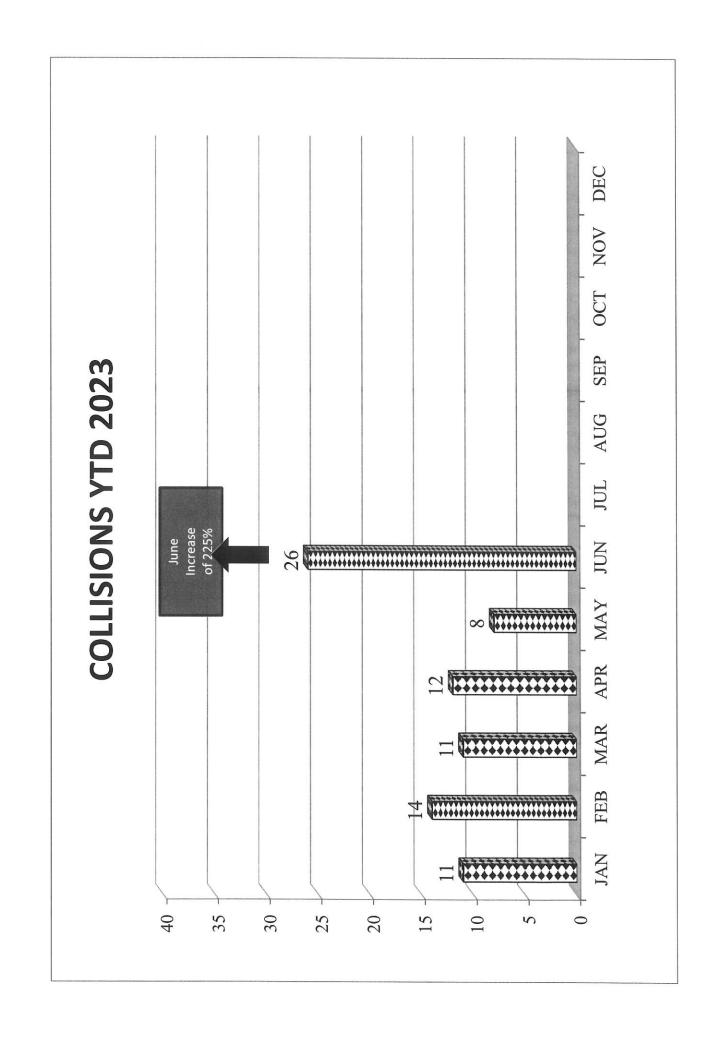


ARRESTS YTD 2023



TRAFFIC STOPS YTD 2023







Wolfeboro Police Department Personnel Analysis Reports 06/01/2023 - 06/30/2023

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	Incidents	Asst Inc	Asst Inc Detective	Arrests Asst	Arr	Booking	Orders	Citations Accidents	ccidents As	Asst Acc.	Park Tks	Field Int	Asst FI	Warrants
Beaulieu, Jared	m	0	0	2	П	Н	0	10	1	0	0	0	0	0
Boucher, Jacob	0	0	0	ω	S	ω	0	12	1	T	0	0	0	0
Boucher, Jason	М	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALLIGANDES, HEATHER	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chase, Stuart M	0	0	0	0	T	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Devine, Mary	10	H	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
DUSTIN, CHRISTOPHER	П	0	0	0	0	2	0	49	Н	0	0	0	0	0
Emerson, Shane	ω	c	0	0	10	П	0	5.6	П	0	4	0	0	0
LaRochelle, Eric	0	0	0	П	П	щ	0	m	Н	0	0	0	0	0
Livie, Mark	0	0	0	М	7	m	0	0	П	0	9	0	0	0
Lyons, Mia	Н	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MALONEY, GUY M	73	0	0	П	Н	Н	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Peaslee, Joshua	4	0	0	T	П	Н	0	14	3	0	4	0	0	0
Shanks, Joseph	4	Н	0		0	7	П	70	4	0	2	0	0	0
Spera, Patrick	E	П	0	Н	n	\vdash	2	16	Н	0	0	0	0	0
Strauch, Michael	2	0	0	9	0	9	0	34	9	0	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	51	9	0	32	30	32	е	266	26	н	18	0	0	0

WOLFEBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER MARY DEVINE MONTHLY SUMMARY FOR JUNE 2023

May was the tenth month of school for SRO Devine with thirteen (13) days of school. SRO Devine responded to incidents in the Kingswood High and Middle School. SRO Devine wrote nine (9) reports.

High School 10 reports:

SRO Devine issued a student a Town Ordinance Violation for Misuse of Power.

SRO Devine took three reports regarding students in possession of tobacco vapes. All students received school discipline.

SRO Devine participated in meetings regarding the Kingswood Next Steps Team. The mission of the Kingswood Next Steps Team is to provide intervention and support for identified at risk students to increase overall positive behaviors and academic success.

Middle School 2 reports:

SRO Devine assisted a student who was having a mental health crisis with the assistance of the school social worker and Access Point. SRO Devine transported the juvenile to Huggins Hospital.

SRO Devine took one report regarding a student in possession of tobacco vape. The student received school discipline.

SRO Devine contacted another agency within the school district to conduct two welfare checks on students regarding truancy.

SRO Devine took a report regarding a group of students harassing and making fun of each other to the point of a criminal threat made. It was investigated by SRO Devine and administrators and no action was taken by the police department.

SRO Devine took a report regarding criminal threatening which when investigated, did not occur. No further action.

SRO Devine participated as a chaperone at the middle school annual field trip to Canobie Lake Park. Cpl. Jason Boucher was at the high and middle schools while SRO Devine was at Canobie Lake Park.

SRO Devine participated in the middle school field days. SRO Devine participated in the dunk tank and was dunked five times.

Monthly Activity for June 2023

In the month of June, Detective Emerson covered both his Detective duties as well as covering Patrol shifts. For the month of June, Detective Emerson worked on fourteen new criminal cases.

Detective Emerson was also assigned to cover Patrol shifts where Detective Emerson made numerous motor vehicle stops, handled motor vehicle complaints, parking complaints and handled two (2) motor vehicle crashes.

Detective Emerson worked with New Durham Police and Middleton Police regarding a possible suicide note found.

Detective Emerson Assisted the County Attorney's Office with follow up on some cases.

Detective Emerson conducted an article search in the swamp and woods trying to locate a possible handgun that was believed to have been in the possession of a subject that had committed a Burglary. After Sgt. Beaulieu and Detective Emerson arrested the individual, Detective Emerson searched miles of woods and swamp areas for almost three (3) hours. The handgun was eventually found by Detective Emerson.

Detective Emerson continues to try and work on his caseload from the previous month in addition to his increased workload as he is reassigned to cover Patrol shifts.

Cases Assigned/Investigated/Assisted With

- 1 SIMPLE ASSAULT
- 1 OPERATING AFTER SUSPENSION
- 1 DISORDERLY CONDUCT
- 1 HARASSMENT
- 1 FRAUD
- **2 CRIMINAL TRESPASS**
- 1 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF
- 2 BURGLARIES
- 1 BREACH OF BAIL
- 1 MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT
- 2 VANDALISMS

Percentage of cases closed this month 78%

Percentage of new cases closed by arrest during the month 42%

Percentage of entire case load closed 80%

Budget Overview						
Police Budget						
Payroll Week 29	55.77%					
Cluster of Five	%	Under/over		Balance		Change
Hourly Wage	50.09%	5.68%	·S-	49,796.42	ۍ ک	2,917.89
Part-Time	60.88%	-5.11%	\$	(6,881.61) \$	\$	48.37
Overtime	63.59%	-7.82%	-ζ>-	(11,182.61)	ş	1,643.70
Social Security	55.55%	0.22%	÷	(73.32) \$		41.23
Retirement	53.36%	2.41%	Ş	10,761.14	43-	4,566.69
Total			4	42,420.02	₩.	9,217.88
PD Budget	54.27%	1.50%	\$	32,095.63	\$	16,795.95
Dispatch Budget						
Hourly Wages	55.91%	-0.14%	45	424.26	\$	(216.58)
Part-time	26.49%	29.28%	Ş	13,267.88	Ş	1,682.82
Overtime	81.26%	25.49%	⊹	(7,413.77)		(1,588.77)
Social Security	49.49%	6.28%	٠	1,949.93		98.06
Retirement	56.14%	0.37%	4	(185.14)	45	(299.79)
Total			S	8,043.16	S	(324.26)
Dispatch Budget	54.78%	0.99%	-0-	5,352.76	5	(81.09)
Animal Control	47.51%	8.22%	\$	2,201.13	÷	179.16
Total All Three budgets	54.23%	1.54%	S	\$ 41,811.63	S	\$ 13,675.45

CHIEF'S ITEMS FOR JULY 27, 2023, COMMISSION MEETING

PERSONNEL

Frank McGee will begin sixteen weeks of recruit training at the Academy commencing July 31st.

Officer Joshua Peaslee was officially commended for his action when rendering first aid to an injured boy at Foss Field recently.

SRO Mary Devine received a "thank you" from a citizen for the manner in which she investigated a car crash on College Road in this reporting period.

Corporal Boucher and SRO Devine, along with high school staff, hosted a training session at the KRHS that featured many different "stations" including, tourniquets, wound packing, chest seals and CPR refresher and room barricades. This had over 600 participants and included educators and staff from several schools.

Participating departments in addition to Wolfeboro were: Tuftonboro, Middleton, Sheriff's Department, Carroll County Corrections and Off. Josh Peaslee. Special thanks to Dispatcher Craig Garland who provided much of the first aid, training equipment.

IN GENERAL:

All mutual aid and extended authority agreements are signed and in place.

"Shift summaries" have been re-introduced.

Wolfeboro Police Log is appearing in the Grunter again.

The Written directive system has been revived.

Sergeants will review and approve officer's reports.

Foot patrols are active in the Downtown area.

Officers are actively working DWI, Speed, Distracted Driving and Pedestrian Safety Grants.

Meeting with the DeSantis staff and protection detail (re: July 4th parade). Quarterly budget review with town manager and finance director. Daily meetings with Captain.

Several Department members worked hard on a series of incidents - including many felonies – in this reporting period. We are alleging that one individual committed these acts from May 3 through July 1 which include:

Disorderly Conduct, Driving Under the Influence, Involuntary Emergency Admission, False Public Alarm (x3), Operating After Suspension, Burglary (x3), Criminal Trespass, Criminal Mischief (x3), Resisting Arrest and Theft of a Motor Vehicle.

The suspect fled the area and was ultimately apprehended near Bar Harbor, ME. He waived extradition in that State and was returned to Carroll County by Detective Emerson and Corporal Shanks. Officers involved in the investigation of these offenses were:

Detective Emerson, Lt. Maloney, Captain Livie, Corporal Shanks, Sgt. Beaulieu, Officer Peaslee, Sgt. Strauch, Sgt. Spera, SRO Devine and Corporal Boucher. Several investigative techniques were used in this case including crime scene search and evidence gathering, accessing electronic information, search warrants and affidavits and good ol' fashion police work. This was a fine example of the talent and commitment we have in our Department. Thank you everyone!

The seasonal, 2-hour parking limit in the Downtown area is being vigorously enforced. We are encouraging people to utilize the trolley shuttle from the KRHS campus to Downtown. It is a free service! OR use the Glendon Street lot.

The Wolfeboro Single Track Alliance and its President, Chris Dow, have graciously donated a police bicycle to the Department. I understand this is the first new addition to our bike program in twenty years and we are most appreciative of this kind gesture. Thank you!

The Cotton Valley Rail Trail will be closed from Center Street to River St., for ten days, starting this week.

Outstanding work by our Fire/Rescue, central dispatch and police officers dealing with the recent torrential rains and flooding. And thank you DOT for getting Route 28 at Mink Brook re-opened so quickly.

MEETINGS, MEETINGS, ETC:

Attended Officer Dustin's graduation from the police academy.

Town Manager re: public safety building.

Oath of Office for recruits in Great Hall.

Planning Board meeting.

Selectmen meeting at Great Hall.

Filmed two sessions of "Coffee and Connections with the Chief" (and the Captain) at WCTV.

Met with two members of the Budget Committee.

Department staff meeting.

POLICE COMMISSIONERS MEETING

- 1. IN A NEWSPAPER ARTICLE YOU MR. WOOD STATED THAT WHEN YOU GOT FURTHER EVIDENCE FROM MRI OF THE INVESTIGATION OF RONDEAU, "YOU WILL SHARE THE EVIDENCE" TO THE NEWSPAPAPER. AM ASKING YOU TO SHARE THE EVIDENCE TO ME.
- 2. AS I BELIEVE ALL INVESTIGATIONS AND INTERNAL INQUIRIES OF RONDEAU ARE NOW INACTIVE, THEREFORE UNDER THE LAW, ... UNDER DUE PROCESS, UNDER THE RIGHT TO KNOW LAW, UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, WHERE ALL INVESTIGATIONS AND INQUIRIES OF RONDEAU ARE NOW INACTIVE, THEY ARE NOW NOT EXEMPT FROM INSPECTION AND COPYING. THEREFORE I AM REQUESTING A COPY OF ALL DOCUMENTS OF ALL INVESTIGATIONS AND INTERNAL INQUIRIES ON RONDEAU..
- 3. AS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, UNDER THE RIGHT TO KNOW LAW, AND UNDER DUE PROCESS OF THE LAW, ALL ENABLE ME TO ACCESS GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS REGARDING INACTIVE POLICE INVESTIGATIONS. AND ALSO UNDER N.H. STATUTE 105:13-B WHICH ALLOWS ME EVIDENCE IN.....RONDEAU'S PERSONNEL FILE, WHERE RONDEAU IS SERVING AS A WITNESS IN MY CRIMINAL CASE, REGARDING AN EVENT THAT OCCURRED AT THE DUMP. EVIDENCE THAT WILL PROVE RONDEAU'S PROPENSITY FOR FALSIFYING EVIDENCE.
- 4. AS YOU KNOW I HAVE REQUESTED ACCESS TO ANY AND ALL INVESTIGATIONS OF RONDEAU BY THE MRI, BY THE PUBLIC INTEGRITY UNIT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, BY THE POLICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING AGENCY, AND ACCESS TO THE INTERNAL INQUIRIES OF RONDEAU BY THE TOWN.

5. I ALSO REQUESTED TO REVIEW OF RONDEAU'S RETIREMENT LETTER, ALL
CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN YOU AND RONDEAU, AND ANY CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN
YOU AND HIM PRIOR TO AND SINCE HIS BEING PLACED ON PAID LEAVE. I WOULD ALSO LIKE
TO KNOW WHO PAID RONDEAU'S PAID LEAVE.

STUART CHASE

- 1. REGARDING STUART CHASE, I WOULD LIKE AN EXPLANATION FROM YOU MR. WOOD,
 ON WHAT MADE YOU REPORT TO THE NEWSPAPER THAT POLICE CHIEF CHASE HAD A
 STELLAR CAREER.
- 2. WHEN YOU KNEW THAT CHASE IN FACTHAD A CRIMINAL CAREER..... STARTING IN DANVAS MASSACHUSETTS WHERE HE WAS A POLICE CHIEF, AND HE WAS FORCED TO RETIRE FOR HIS CRIMINAL ACT BY UNLAWFULLY IMPRISONING A MS. KENNEDY WHEN SHE WENT INSIDE THE POLICE STATION TO ACCUSE ONE OF HIS POLICE OFFICER'S OF MISCONDUCT.
- 3. WHEN YOU KNEW MR. WOOD THAT CHASE IN A CONTINUING CONDUCT,
 THREATENED ME ALSO, THAT WHEN I ACCUSED RONDEAU OF A CRIMINAL ACT, CHASE
 ASSAULTED ME, AND THREATENED ME STATING THAT IF I ACCUSE HIS MEN OF MISCONDUCT,
 HE WILL GET ME AND ARREST ME ON THE SPOT, WHICH HE DID SO, WHEN HE FOLLOWED ME
 ON MY WAY TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND ARRESTED ME BY FALSELY ACCUSING ME OF
 SPEEDING.
- 4. CHASE UNLAWFULLY HAD ME" PROSECUTED".... FOR SPEEDING, WITHOUT PROBABLE CAUSE, A FOURTH AMENDMENT UNLAWFUL SEZIURE, AS SPEEDING IS NOT A CRIME IN NEW HAMPSHIRE. THERE WAS A TRIAL AND THE TRIAL COURT JUDGE FOUND ME NOT GUILTY OF SPEEDING. THE JUDGE FOUND EVIDENCE IN THE POLICE LOGS, THAT MY SPEEDING CHARGE WAS A SET-UP BY CHASE, AND FOUND ME NOT GUILTY OF SPEEDING.
- 5. AND WHERE THE TRIAL WAS HELD BEYOND THE TIME ALOTTED TO HOLD A TRIAL UNDER

THE SIXTH AMENDMENT SPEEDY TRIAL CLAUSE, THE TRIAL WAS ANOTHER FOURTH

AMENDMENT VIOLATION, WITHOUT PROBABLE CAUSE, UNDER THE SIXTH AMENDMENT AND

A VIOLATION OF DUE PROCESS.

- 6. AFTER I WAS PUT IN JAIL BY CHASE, CHASE UNLAWFULLY WITHOUT A
 WARRANT WENT INSIDE MY CAR AND STOLE ALL MY EVIDENCE OF DEAN RONDEAU'S
 MISCONDUCT, EVIDENCE OF A BANK DEPOSIT I MADE IN A BANK IN MASSACHUSETTS AT THE
 SAME TIME I WAS SUPPOSE TO BE DRIVING ERRATICALLY IN WOLFEBORO BY RONDEAU.
 WHERE RONDEAU NOTIFIED THE DEPT. OF SAFETY OF MY ERRATIC DRIVING IN AN EFFORT TO
 HAVE MY LICENSE TO DRIVE REVOKED.
- 7. BY GOING INSIDE MY CAR WITHOUT A WARRANT, THIS WAS THE CRIME OF AN UNAWFUL SEARCH AND SEIZURE, A VIOLATION OF THE FOURTH AMENDMENT.
- 8. ALL EVIDENCE THAT WAS BEFORE YOU FOR INSPECTION MR. WOOD WHICH PROVED CHASE...... DID NOT HAVE A STELLAR CAREER......
- 9. AND WHERE CHASE HAS A CONTINUING CONDUCT OF CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR HE MUST BE REMOVED AS POLICE CHIEF FROM THIS TOWN, IMMEDIATELY, AS HE IS A THREAT TO THE SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC.
- 10. ALSO, IT IS TO BE NOTED MR. WOOD THAT BY YOU DENYING STUART CHASE'S CRIMES TO THE NEWSPAPER, YOU WERE DENYING MY VERSION OF EVENTS, MY INNOCENCE AND BY DOING SO YOUR ARE GUILTY OF THE CRIME OF DEFAMATION OF MY CHARACTER.
- 11. THEREFORE, IT IS NOT ONLY CHASE WHO WRONGED ME BUT YOU HAVE ALSO COMMITTED DEFAMATION OF MY CHARACTER TO THE PUBLIC.