

BOARD of POLICE COMMISSIONERS

of the

City of Portsmouth, N.H.



Chairman Joseph J. Onosko... Commissioner Jim Splaine... Commissioner Stefany Shaheen

“Providing Citizen Oversight of Your Police Department”

NOTICE: The Police Commission has a dedicated phone number at the police department. You can call the Commissioners at 603-610-7471 and leave a message regarding your concerns, along with your name and a telephone number. The Commissioners will be advised of your message and someone will return your call in a timely fashion. You can also email the Commissioners directly through the Police Department webpage, by clicking on “Police Commission”, and then clicking on any of the Commissioners’ names.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF POLICE COMMISSION MEETING

DATE: December 17th, 2019 (Tuesday)
LOCATION & TIME: 4:00 p.m., Wm. Mortimer Conference Room, Police Dept.
5:30 p.m., Eileen Dondero Foley Council Chambers, City Hall
Please see important note on the start time:

NOTE: The meeting will start at 4:00 p.m. in the Wm. Mortimer Room. It is anticipated the Commission will go into a non-public session immediately, as provided for under RSA 91-A:3 II (a-e & i) The public session will then resume in Council Chambers whenever the non-public session is finished, which should be at or about 5:30 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON:

November 20, 2019. (Anticipated Action: A motion will be made to accept the minutes of the November 20, 2019 meeting as written, or with edits.)

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Individual comment is limited to five minutes.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

A. POLICE COMMISSION:

- 1.) Commissioner Splaine:
 - a.) Brief update on Drone Unit

B. CHIEF OF POLICE:

1. Grants & Donations:
 - a. Substance Abuse Reduction Grant – A grant in the amount of \$30,000 from the New Hampshire Dept. of Justice for the purpose of investigating and apprehending individuals or organizations that are involved in narcotics-related drug use and trafficking. (Anticipated Action: A motion will be made to accept the \$30,000 grant from the NH Dept. of Justice for the purpose of investigating and apprehending individuals or organizations that are involved in narcotics-related drug use and trafficking. This has been forwarded to the city council for their action.)
 - b. Bullet Proof Vest Grant – A matching grant in the amount of \$5,103.76 from the US Dept. of Justice for new and replacement Bullet Proof Vests. (Anticipated Action: A motion will be made to accept the \$5,103.76 matching grant for Bullet-Proof Vests and forward to the city council for their action.)

Donation:

- a. A donation of \$500 in support of the Portsmouth Police Honor Guard was received from Attorney Robert P. Sullivan in commemoration of the life and career of Detective Commander William D. Mortimer. In his letter, Attorney Sullivan said, “Commander Mortimer was a Police Officer for the City in the finest tradition of the profession, a thoughtful gentleman and my friend.” (Anticipated Action: A motion will be made to accept the

\$500 donation to the Portsmouth Police Honor Guard. The donation has been forwarded to the city council for their action.)

2. Letters of Appreciation from Outside the Department
3. Accreditation Update
4. Monthly Traffic Stats
5. Financial Report – Karen Senecal
 - a. Strategic Plan
 - b. Grant Applications Update
 - c. Facilities Report

C. PATROL DIVISION:

This report is included in the commission packet.

VI. COURT OFFICE REPORT

This report is included in the commission packet.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS/OTHER BUSINESS: None

VIII. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The date of the first 2020 Commission meeting will be confirmed via the City's website. If the vacancy on the Commission is filled prior to the first scheduled meeting in January, the Police Commission will meet as scheduled for Tuesday, January 28th, 2020, at the usual 4:00/5:30 start time. (See note at the beginning of this agenda for a start time explanation.) Please check the meetings calendar on the city's website as the date approaches for cancellations or changes to the time or meeting location.

NOTICE to members of the public who are hearing impaired: If you wish to attend a meeting and need assistance, please contact City Human Resources at 431-2000 ext. 7270 prior to the scheduled meeting. Thank You.

Kathe Levesque

(Posted on Wednesday, December 11th, 2019)

Jim Splaine, Clerk of the Commission