

## PORTSMOUTH POLICE COMMISSION

### MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013 MEETING

4:00 p.m. Non-Public Session – Wm. Mortimer Conference Room, PPD  
6:00 p.m. Public Session – Eileen Dondero Foley Council Chambers, Portsmouth City Hall

John F. Golumb, Chairman  
Gerald W. Howe  
John C. Russo

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The chairman called the February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013 monthly police commission public session to order at 4:00 p.m. in the William Mortimer Conference Room at the Portsmouth Police Department.

**Action: Commissioner Howe moved** to go into non-public session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters as per RSA 91-A:3, II.

**Seconded by Commissioner Russo.**

**On a Roll Call Vote:** The board voted unanimously to go into non-public session at 4:01 p.m.

**Chairman Golumb called the public session back to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Eileen Dondero Foley Council Chambers.**

**Present during the public session:** Commissioners Golumb, Howe, and Russo, Chief Stephen DuBois, Deputy Chief Corey MacDonald, Admin. Manager Karen Senecal, Exec. Assistant Kathleen Levesque, members of the department, public, and the press

- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Russo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- III. **ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON:** January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2013.

**Action: Commissioner Russo moved** to accept the minutes and place them on file.

**Seconded by Commissioner Howe.**

**On a Roll Call Vote:** The board voted to accept the minutes and place them on file.

**IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

**V. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. POLICE COMMISSION:**

**B. CHIEF OF POLICE:**

- 1. Medal Award & Commendation Ceremony** – Chief DuBois, aided by Deputy Chief MacDonald, awarded the department’s Medal of Valor, Medal of Meritorious Service, as well as four Commendations to the following officers and dispatchers for their actions last year in responding to the Greenland shooting on the night of April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012:

**Medal of Valor:** Master Patrolman Tim Black, Master Patrolman Andre Wassouf, Officer Charley Raizes, Officer Chris Worthington, Officer Steve Blanding;

**Medal of Meritorious Service:** Captain Mike Schwartz, Master Patrolman Mike Kotsonis, Master Patrolman Eric Bentz, Master Patrolman Chris Kiberd, Officer Robert Lukacz, Officer Josh McCain, Officer Duane Jacques, Officer Brian Houde;

**Commendations:** Detective Sgt. Tom Grella, Sgt. (Ret.) Kim Sirr, Dispatcher Jessica Walley, Dispatcher Tara McKinlay

The Chief afforded the public the opportunity to learn more about the individual actions of the award recipients by reading their medal citations aloud.

- 2. Grants:**

**Action: Commissioner Howe moved** to accept a grant in the amount of \$8,580 from the State of New Hampshire Department of Highway Safety for Portsmouth DWI/DUI patrols.

**Seconded by Commissioner Russo.**

**On a Roll Call Vote:** The board voted unanimously to accept the grant and forward to the city council for their action.

**Action: Commissioner Howe moved** to accept a grant in the amount of \$12,168 from the State of New Hampshire Department of Highway Safety for Portsmouth Sobriety Checkpoints.

**Seconded by Commissioner Russo.**

**On a Roll Call Vote:** The board voted unanimously to accept the grant and forward to the city council for their action.

**Action: Commissioner Howe moved** to accept a grant in the amount of \$7,436 from the New Hampshire Department of Highway Safety for Portsmouth Pedestrian Patrols.

**Seconded by Commissioner Russo.**

**On a Roll Call Vote:** The board voted unanimously to accept the grant and forward to the city council for their action.

**Action: Commissioner Howe moved** to accept a grant in the amount of \$7,436 from the New Hampshire Department of Highway Safety for Portsmouth Red Light Running Patrols.

**Seconded by Commissioner Russo.**

**On Roll Call Votes:** The board voted unanimously to accept the grant and forward to the city council for their action.

**Action: Commissioner Howe moved** to accept a grant in the amount of \$7,436 from the New Hampshire Department of Highway Safety for Portsmouth Speed Enforcement Patrols.

**Seconded by Commissioner Russo.**

**On Roll Call Votes:** The board voted unanimously to accept the grant and forward to the city council for their action.

3. **Financial Report** – Karen Senecal gave an abbreviated report to the commission on the percentage of the budget expended to date. She indicated that we are currently tracking under budget.

### **C. PATROL SERVICES DIVISION**

This report is contained in the commission's packet.

### **D. CITY PROSECUTOR REPORT**

This report is contained in the commission's packet.

## **VI. MISCELLANEOUS OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Action: Commissioner Howe moved** to accept the division reports and place one copy on file.

**Seconded by Commissioner Russo.**

**On a Roll Call Vote:** The board voted unanimously to accept the division reports and place them on file.

The Chair gave out the date and time of the next monthly meeting.

There being no further business before the commission, the chairman asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Action: Commissioner Russo moved** the February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013 meeting of the police commission be adjourned.

**Seconded by Commissioner Howe.**

**On a Roll Call Vote:** The board voted unanimously in favor of the motion at 6:45 p.m.

- VII. NEXT MEETING: Next Meeting – *WEDNESDAY, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013 in the William Mortimer Conference Room, Portsmouth Police Department.***  
***Please note the change of venue. The public session will begin at 6:00 p.m.***

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*Respectfully Submitted By Kathleen Levesque, Executive Assistant*

*Reviewed By Commissioner Howe, Clerk of the Commission*

*Gerald W. Howe*