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A regular meeting of the Stamford Police Commission was held on Monday, May 5, 2014 at 5:00pm at Stamford Police Headquarters.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners Abbazia, Figueroa, Palmer, Thomas and Lyons. Assistant Chiefs Matheny and Shaw, Director Jankowski, Lt. Barcello, Sgts. Devanney and Pinto, Captain Conklin, Sgts Kennedy and Lupinacci, Officers Barquero, Caserta, Davis, Junes, Guests, Ernie DiMattia-Police Foundation and Minister Griffin.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Palmer at 5:05pm.

#### Review of Minutes

Commissioner Palmer made a MOTION to accept the minutes from April 24, 2014 Commissioner Figueroa seconded. All were in favor. Commissioner Thomas abstained due to him not being present at the meeting.

Commissioner Thomas made a MOTION to accept the minutes from April 7, 2014 seconded by Commissioner Lyons. All were in favor. Commissioner Abbazia abstained due to him not being present at the meeting.

#### Good Conduct by Officers and Commissioners Award:

Assistant Chief Shaw presented to the Commission the following for Commissioners Awards due to their participation in the capture and arrest of the suspect who robbed the First County Bank on High Ridge Road on April 14, 2014: Sgt. Lupinacci, Officers Barquero, Caserta, Davis and Junes.

#### Presentation

Ernie DiMattia, Chair of the Police Foundation presented to the Commission exactly what the Foundation is and what they do for the Police Department. Ernie requested that a Police Commissioner become a liaison or a member of the Foundation.

#### Comments from the Public

Minister Griffin from Union Baptist Church was present for the meeting as an observer.

## Administration and Operating

Assistant Chief Matheny reported on Patrol Division and Traffic Enforcement Unit service calls. 12,510 calls for service, 403 Motor Vehicle Accidents for the month and is on a downward trend, 1,045 School Patrols, 3,895 Motor Vehicle Stops and 335 suspicious person stops. Overtime is down over \$40,000 from last year at this time. The Traffic Enforcement Unit worked 221 days and wrote 266 tickets. We had one fatal motor vehicle accident and the TE Unit made an arrest that same day. They had several call outs for major accidents.

Assistant Chief Shaw reported on Bureau and Narcotics activity. Had an armed robbery on Garden Street. 2 of the 3 suspects had guns and because of our DIVERT Video Program we were able to identify them. Due to Chief Fontneau's relationship with the FBI we were able to get this program and equipment complimentary. Arson on 7 Milton Street which the Bureau is investigating and has several suspects. Burglaries of downtown office buildings is up. Used DIVERT again and Boston reviewed the video and noticed they had the exact suspect, so Boston and Stamford were able to put up both videos together. Narcotics seized crack, cocaine and heroin, \$28,000 in cash and 1 car. Our annual buy-take back on prescriptions which was held in April took in 126 pounds of prescription drugs. NOC officers have dealt with several people this month high on PCP which results in physical altercations. One officer was injured.

Commissioner Palmer requested current head count of officers and how many are IOD. We currently have 283 members and 10 are out long term.

## Personnel Issues

None

### Old/New Business:

Commissioner Thomas stepped down from the Blight Committee. Commissioner Thomas made a MOTION to nominate Commissioner Figueroa to the Committee seconded by Commissioner Palmer. All were in favor.

Commissioner Figueroa stepped down from Pension Board. Commissioner Palmer made a MOTION to nominate Commissioner Abbazia to the Pension Board seconded by Commissioner Figueroa.

Minister Griffin brought up traffic issues by Chester Addison Center. Director Jankowski offered to handle her concern.

Commissioner Figueroa made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 5:55pm seconded by Commissioner Thomas.

Submitted,

*Timothy Abbazia*

Timothy Abbazia Chairman