

Claremont Police Commission Meeting

Public Meeting Minutes

Wednesday April 5, 2017 @ 6:00 PM

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- I. Roll call & Call to Order: The meeting was called to order **at 6:06pm**. Commissioner Courtemanche, Commissioner Raymond and Commissioner Tremblay were all present. Chief Chase was present.
- II. Citizens Forum: There were no citizens at this meeting.
- III. Review of Minutes of March 8, 2017 Public Meetings: After review of the Public Meeting Minutes Commissioner Courtemanche made a motion to accept said minutes, the Motion was seconded by Commissioner Tremblay and all three Commissioners voted in favor of said motion.
- IV. There was no review of any monthly Reports:
- V. Accreditation / Grants update: Chief Chase explained that he has not requested any new policy form A.M. Wilmot. He is currently working on updating and in the coming months he will have new as well as updated policies for the commission.
- VI. Budget Update:
 - a. Police
 - b. 911Chief Chase stated that overall percentages continue to track in an acceptable fashion. Most lines are tracking below anticipated costs due to the lack of personnel. A further discussion will occur in non-public about the FY 2017/18 budget.
- VII. Old Business: Chief Chase discussed what the commission would like to see in crime reporting. With the current changes in personnel Chief Chase asked if the commission

would like to continue with the reports that they have seen in the past or would like to change it up. After a discussion it was decided that the reports that they have received in the past is appropriate and they would like to continue to get that information.

VIII. New Business:

The commission had an open discussion about Pawn Shops and reporting guidelines. Chief Chase and Capt. Wilmot discussed the state RSA on pawn shops and alerted the commission that none of the shops in Claremont are real pawn shops but they do purchase items of the street at times but they do not fit into the RSA that covers this topic.

The commission had an open discussion about the Claremont Police SRO program and it was suggested that at some point that the superintendent, Dr. Middleton McGoodwin be invited to a meeting to discuss the program and any ways we can improve or just get feedback in general from the schools perspective.

At 7:39 pm Commissioner Courtemanche made a motion to go into non-public session pursuant to NH RSA 91-A:3, II (a) personnel, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Raymond and all three Commissioners voted in favor of said motion.

IX. Public Session: The meeting returned to public session **at 8:30 pm**.

X. Set May 2017 meeting: Chief Chase will set a date at a later time. It is hoped that we may do some awards or recognition during police memorial week.

XI. Adjourn: **At 8:36 pm** Commissioner Raymond made a motion to adjourn, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Trembley and all three Commissioners voted in favor of said motion.

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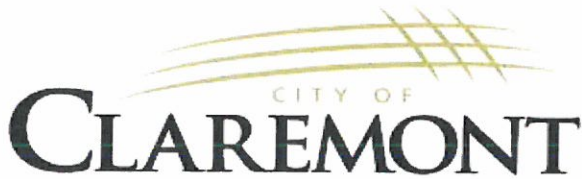
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RE: Chief's Report for March 2017

Honorable Commission Members:

The month of March was my first full month in the position of Chief. It was a busy month with a number of issues that had my attention while I was working. I did take a vacation during this month and while I was away Captain Brent Wilmot was in charge. Here are some of the highlights for March 2017.

- March 3, 2017 the union members of the Claremont Police Department voted out the AFSME Local 3657. The members voted in the New England Police Benevolent Association, Inc. to now represent the members.
- On March 6, 2017 I met with Liz Henning and other members of the NH Juvenile Court Diversion program. The program would like to involve CPD in a more active role in this program. I then met with Lt. Shepherd and discussed how we currently divert cases. I have continued to talk with Mrs. Henning and we will continue to meet to talk about changes we may make to help this program succeed.
- I assisted with the service of paperwork to the residents of Goddard Block. I also assisted in confirming that all the residents were no longer living at this location. I was then involved in meetings with the owners.
- I was on vacation from March 10 – 20, 2017. Captain Brent Wilmot was acting Chief while I was away.



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- Lt. Aaron Reichert completed his last day of employment with the City of Claremont Police on March 15, 2017.

- I covered a total of 80 hours of patrol during the month of March. The promotions that occurred at the end of March will help with the patrol supervisor shortage that we have suffered from.

- On March 27 I attended a meeting with other city officials with Judge Yazinski. We discussed the prosecution of code violation by the city of Claremont.

As outlined above, the Claremont Police Department continues to work together with all parts of the City, County and State Government and the citizens of Claremont, to make this City a comfortable and safe community to live in.

Yours in Policing,

Mark T. Chase
Chief of Police