

# Claremont Police Commission Meeting

## Public Minutes

*Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 @ 6:00 PM*

*@ Visitor's Center/Planning & Development Office, 14 North Street*

- I. Roll call & Call to Order: The meeting was called to order **at 6:02pm**. Commissioner Courtemanche and Commissioner Raymond were present. Commissioner Tremblay was excused. Chief Scott was present.
  
- II. Citizens Forum: No citizens appeared for citizens' forum. The Commission commented favorably on Chief Scott's "A chat with the Chief" event that occurred on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Over twenty citizens participated in the event, it was very well received, and attendees requested that Chief Scott continue to host such events regularly. Chief Scott noted that he plans to host another such event in September. Based on citizen input he will likely cover code enforcement issues and the Police Department's role therewith.
  
- III. Review Minutes of April, 2015 Public Meeting: After review of the April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 public meeting minutes Commissioner Raymond made a motion to accept said minutes, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Courtemanche and both Commissioners voted in favor of said motion.
  
- IV. Preview of June and July, 2015 upcoming events: Chief Scott noted that the two major upcoming events will be the Fireworks at Claremont Speedway on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and the City of Claremont Fireworks display and festivities on July 4<sup>th</sup>.
  
- V. April and May 2015 Monthly Reports:
  - a. Chief's Office
  - b. Criminal Division
  - c. Patrol Division
  - d. Communications Division
  - e. Statistical Reports

Review and discussion of the April and May 2015 monthly reports included discussion and update on status of the CopSync 911 Grant. Chief Scott noted that City Council and School Board approval has been received and signatures are pending for finishing touches on the application. Commission asked about Active 911 in the Communications report and Chief Scott noted that the Active 911 system is a Fire Department interface that sends out emergency call information in text message format to Fire Department personnel. After review and discussion of the April and May 2015 monthly division reports Commissioner Courtemanche made a motion to accept the April and May 2015 monthly division reports, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Raymond and both Commissioners voted in favor of said motion.

VI. Correspondence: The Commission reviewed a thank you letter to Sr. Officer O’Heerne from a Mr. Ehrhardt, a thank you letter to the Claremont Police Department and a thank you letter to Sr. Officer O’Heerne from a Mr. Hafner.

VII. Accreditation / Grants update:

- a. Update from Accreditation and Grants Office: Accreditation Manger Wilmot’s update was reviewed with particular focus C.P.D.’s successful mock onsite inspection that occurred on April 3, 2015 and the agenda for the C.A.L.E.A. onsite inspection scheduled for June 28 through 30, 2015.

VIII. Budget Update:

- a. Police
- b. 911
- c. 2015/2016 Final Police Budget
- d. 205/2016 Final 911 Budget

Chief Scott noted that overall percentages continue to track in an acceptable fashion in the current budgets, even with providing \$50,000 from the Police Budget to help with overtime overages in the snowplowing overtime portion of the DPW budget. Chief Scott outlined that the 2015/2016 city manager recommended budgets were passed by the City Council. There are no changes of significance in the 2015/2016 budgets in terms of overall operations.

IX. Old Business:

- a. Finalize 2015 Strategic Plan: After final review, Commissioner Raymond made a motion to accept the 2015 Strategic Plan update, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Courtemanche and both Commissioners voted in favor of said motion.
  
- b. Finalize 2015 Immediate Goals and Objectives: After final review, Commissioner Raymond made a motion to accept the 2015 Immediate Goals and Objectives Update, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Courtemanche and both Commissioners voted in favor of said motion.

X. New Business:

- a. Project Red & Blue overview: Chief Scott outlined School Resource Officer Crystal Simonds' "Project Red and Blue" which is a middle school summer academic and leadership program. The program provides a free, developmentally appropriate summer camp experience for Middle School students that fosters academic success, builds leadership skills and promotes community engagement, with the focus on building one's self esteem and confidence. SRO Simonds has done a significant amount of fundraising to fund the program as well as coordinating all the activities. Middle School staff is putting together the academic component of the program.

**At 7:00pm** 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 both Commissioners voted in favor of said motion.

XI. Public Session: The meeting returned to public session **at 7:08pm**.

XII. Set tentative meeting(s) Schedule for July 2015 meeting: The July 2015 Claremont Police Commission meeting was scheduled for July 15, 2015 at 5:30pm at Claremont Police Department Headquarters with first order of business being a tour of the refurbished Emergency Communications Center.

XIII. Adjourn: **At 7:09pm** Commissioner Courtemanche made a motion to adjourn, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Raymond and both Commissioners voted in favor of said motion.

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**Prepared by:**

**Chief Scott**