# LOWELL METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSION March 25th, 2021

The Lowell Metropolitan Police Commission met in regular session on March 25th, 2021 at the Lowell Town Hall.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

#### I. Roll Call

Commissioner Ray Borchert, present Commissioner Doug Parker, present Commissioner Sharon Patterson, absent Commissioner Shane Tucker, absent Commissioner Becky Ruiz-Harbinson, present Chief James Woestman, present

#### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a brief moment of silence.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE February 25<sup>th</sup>, REGULAR SESSION Commissioner Parker made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Regular session, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz-Harbinson. 3 ayes, motion passed.

#### IV. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS/EXPENDITURES

Commissioner Parker made a motion to approve the Claims/Expenditures, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz-Harbinson. 3 ayes, motion passed.

#### V. CHIEF'S REPORT AND THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES OR MEMBERS

Chief Woestman informed the Commission there are no officers out with COVID-19 related issues and the Police Department remains at 86.5 shifts lost due to COVID-19.

Chief Woestman announced that two new bikes, plus helmets have been ordered for officers interested in training. Two bikes that were donated by the Crown Point Police department are being refurbished and should be ready in the next few weeks.

Chief Woestman stated training for Advanced Defense Tactics will begin on Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, with 10 officers participating.

Chief Woestman stated the Town Council approved an amount of no more than \$8,000 from the Town's cumulative fund to replace the flooring in the Police Department.

## VI. INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS There were none.

#### VII. OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Borchert asked where things stand with the SOP's being revised. Chief Woestman stated it will be postponed for a few months because Mr. Byrd, who is going to spearhead it, is now the interim Chief for Chesterton and will be busy for a while.

#### VIII. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

## IX. PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND COMMUNICATIONS

### X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Police Commission meeting was set for April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 at 7 pm.

### XI. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Ruiz-Harbinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Parker. 3 ayes, motion passed.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p m.

Ray Borchert, President

Sharon Patterson, Secretary