LOWELL METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSION February 22nd, 2024

The Lowell Metropolitan Police Commission met in regular session on February 22nd, 2024, at the Lowell Town Hall.

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

I. Roll Call

Commissioner LeAnn Angerman, absent Commissioner Sharon Patterson, present Commissioner Ray Borchert, present Commissioner Mark Schwartz, present Commissioner Lori Sanfratello, present Chief James Woestman, present

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE January 25th, REGULAR SESSION

Commissioner Borchert made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 25th, 2024, Regular session, seconded by Commissioner Sanfratello. 4 ayes, motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS/EXPENDITURES

Commissioner Sanfratello made a motion to approve the Claims/Expenditures, seconded by Commissioner Borchert. 4 ayes, motion passed.

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

Chief Woestman informed the commission he is still waiting for the two Rams to be upfitted. Chief Woestman stated Corporal Philbin is in his second week of training with K9 Draco and both are doing well. He also added that Draco should be on the streets in the next few weeks.

Chief Woestman informed the Commission the department surveillance system is nearly complete and should be going live shortly.

Chief Woestman recommended promotions for Sergeant David Lee, Corporal Matthew Philbin, and Corporal Cory Burkus be made permanent since the 180 days have passed per policy.

Chief Woestman requested to start an emergency hiring process by declaring a state of emergency since the current number of officers has fallen below the level determined to be detrimental due to the change of an officer's status to medical disability.

Chief Woestman requested that Corporal Aaron Crawford be moved to the vacant Sergeant position and Officer Joesph Nowocin be moved into the vacant Corporal position, per the 6/22/2023 certified list.

VI. INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS There were none.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Borchert made a motion to approve the start of an emergency hiring process by declaring a state of emergency, seconded by Commissioner Sanfratello. 4 ayes, motion passed. Commissioner Sanfratello made a motion to approve the promotion of Corporal Aaron Crawford to the vacant Sergeant position from the certified list, seconded by Commissioner Schwartz. 4 ayes, motion passed.

Commissioner Borchert requested the Chief to clarify that the promotions would be coming from the 6/22/2023 certified list and Chief Woestman confirmed that they are.

Commissioner Borchert made a motion to approve the promotion of Officer Joesph Nowocin to the vacant Corporal position from the certified list, seconded by Commissioner Schwartz. 4 ayes, motion passed.

Commissioner Sanfratello made a motion to approve the promotions of Sergeant Detective David Lee, Corporal Matthew Philbin, and Corporal Cory Burkus as permanent, seconded by Commissioner Schwartz. 4 ayes, motion passed.

IX. PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND COMMUNICATIONS There was none.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Police Commission meeting was set for March 28th, 2024, at 7 pm.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Borchert made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Sanfratello. 4 ayes, motion passed.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p m.

LeAnn Angerman, President Lowell Police Commission

Lori Sanfratello, Secretary Lowell Police Commission