

C.A.B. MEETING MINUTES – March 16, 2022

Present:

Jim Stabler
Chief David Birk
Lt. Malcolm Tipton
Sgt. Earl Nelson
Det Jason Wargo
Officer Holly Owens
Zack Ferrell
Wanda Glover
Stefan Wannemacher
Paul Gomia
Ruth Kelly
Dora Bronston
Jelani Johnson
Jeff Wilder
Katrina Wilson
Rick Pearce
Cal Wills
Tammy Thompson
Celeste Davis
Enorris Thomas
Tammy Thompson
Josephine Gates
Margaret Mark
Vanessa Clark

Excused Absences:

- Chairman Jim Stabler called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance at 1732 hours.
- The minutes from the January 19th meeting were approved.

CHIEF'S REPORT

- Chief Birk introduced newly promoted Lt. Malcolm Tipton (Patrol Commander) to the Board.
- Our traffic unit has been stepping up speed enforcement, especially in school zones. 110 was the previous monthly ticket average, but 748 and 641 were issued in January and February, respectively. We will be receiving another traffic officer from the Court in the near future.
- The next Patrol Officer test will be given Saturday the 19th. So far, we have only 11 applicants signed up. We are looking to add an additional traffic officer to be funded through the revenue from traffic enforcement.
- The continued difficulty finding qualified applicants that have completed the police academy was discussed. Rick Pearce advised that the MCF offers adult scholarships that are eligible to be applied for to be used for tuition for the academy.
- Officer Sorrell will be leading 150 children at the 2022 Safety Town at Amanda Elementary. Talks are ongoing with Superintendent Styles in reference to providing transportation for providing transportation for the children this year through ARPA funding.
- The 122 bridge is scheduled to be shut down for 60 days coming up in May.

- Chief Birk passed out the March Extended Speed Summary Report for Union Rd, NB.
- We are still waiting on word to see if we will be granted the Violent Crime Reduction (FLOCK cameras) and the Federal Railroad (RR trespass enforcement OT) Grants.
- Officer Owens reported that Officer Birch and herself are still doing outreach twice weekly to the area homeless. She advised that we will be hosting the K9 Regionals here this year. They will take place Sunday, May 15th through Thursday, May 19th. There will be a public demo held at Berachah Church on Wednesday, May 18th.
- Sgt. Nelson gave the Investigation Division report. He asks that everyone help spread the word that we are seeing a drastic rise in ODS lately due to Fentanyl being laced in other drugs.
- Lt. Tipton gave the current training report. We have also been partnering with other agencies to provide a host site for training.
- Casting with a Cop will take place Saturday, May 14th at 8am at the Smith Park Pond. Jeep-N-Eats will be on Saturday, June 4th.

FOP REPORT

- Det. Jason Wargo advised that the contract negotiations are still on-going, but getting closer to a resolution.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

- NONE

BOARD COMMENTS

- Wanda Glover requested extra patrol in the Second Ward.
- Jeff Wilder advised of a Townhall Homeless meeting to be held at MUM on March 24th.
- Cal Wills inquired in reference to the Patterson dog attack. He also asked the best advice to give the public concerning contact/calls with people with mental health issues.
- A request for extra check on Minnesota for drag racing, especially from 1am-3:30am.

The meeting adjourned at 1836 hours. The next board meeting will be **Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at 1836 hours.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Vanessa Clark