

**DISTRICT AUTHORITY MEETING
AUGUST 12, 2019**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM

**MEMBERS PRESENT: A/C GLORIA MARION, A/VC JAMES (DOUG) TAYLOR,
A/M KATHLEEN ZAMAGNI, A/M GERARD COTNOIR**

MEMBERS ABSENT: A/M RAYMOND LAJOIE

**MOTION MADE & SECONDED TO MOVE THE ORDER OF BUSINESS, AND GO INTO
EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUE. UV**

**OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:45 PM. AGREEMENT REACHED. BOARD RETURNED TO
REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION-A/C MARION, SECOND--A/M ZAMAGNI TO APPROVE
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD ON 07/01/19, AND THE DISTRICT
AUTHORITY MEETING HELD ON 07/08/19 UV**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: NONE

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS: REVENUE COLLECTOR'S REQUEST FOR TAX REFUNDS:

**TO: NICOLE A MICHAUD, PARK ST, PUTNAM--\$17.86 ON G/L10-18MV—VEHICLE SOLD
TOYOTA LEASE TRUST, WOBURN, MA--\$19.29 ON G/L10-17MV—VEHICLE SOLD
MOTION—A/M COTNOIR, SECONDED A/VC TAYLOR TO APPROVE TAX REFUNDS UV**

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS: NO DISCUSSION ON PREVIOUS MONTH'S REPORTS.

**FIRE DEPT.: DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO 17 CALLS IN JULY 2019 FOR A TOTAL OF 209
MAN HOURS. 10 VOLUNTEERS ASSISTED WITH THE TOWN HELD FIREWORKS ON 7/7/19.
ROBERT CHALLINOR HAS MOVED BACK TO THE AREA, AND WAS REINSTATED INTO THE
RESCUE COMPANY EFFECTIVE 7/15/19.**

**CHIEF CAMPBELL THANKED ALL THE VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR LOYALTY IN ATTENDING
THE WAKE OF FORMER FIRE DEPARTMENT DRIVER, MARK ADAMS, WHO PASSED AWAY
FROM HIS BATTLE WITH CANCER.**

**CHIEF CAMPBELL RECEIVED NOTICE THAT THE DEPARTMENT'S APPLICATION TO THE
STATE OF CT FORESTRY DIVISION FOR A 50/50 GRANT TO PURCHASE THERMAL IMAGING
CAMERAS WAS NOT APPROVED BECAUSE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DIDN'T FUND THE
GRANTS THIS YEAR. 5 CAMERAS WERE PURCHASED, USING FUNDS FROM THE FIRE
DEPARTMENT'S SMALL EQUIPMENT BUDGET LINE ITEM.**

**POLICE DEPT.: THE DISPATCH CENTER RECEIVED 1,203 CALLS FOR SERVICE IN JULY.
POLICE OFFICERS INITIATED 46 CRIMINAL OFFENSES INVESTIGATIONS, INCLUDING 5
FELONY OFFENSES. A TOTAL OF 33 ARRESTS WERE MADE THAT INCLUDED 14 BY
WARRANT, 17 ON SITE AND 2 JUVENILE ARRESTS. POLICE OFFICERS INVESTIGATED 10
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS. OFFICERS CONDUCTED 155 TRAFFIC STOPS IN JULY THAT
RESULTED IN 35 VERBAL WARNINGS, 96 WRITTEN WARNINGS, AND 23 CITATIONS. 1
CRIMINAL ARRESTS RESULTED FROM TRAFFIC STOPS IN JULY. OFFICERS RESPONDED TO
7 INCIDENTS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. POLICE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED TOTAL INCOME
OF \$11,074.50 IN JULY THAT INCLUDED \$10,185.00 FOR OUTSIDE POLICE SERVICES.
UNDER THE LEC MUTUAL AID COMPACT, PUTNAM POLICE ASSISTED NEW LONDON,
NORWICH, EAST LYME AND GROTON LONG POINT POLICE DEPARTMENTS DURING LARGE
SCALE SEASONAL EVENTS. IN RETURN, PUTNAM POLICE RECEIVED MUTUAL AID FROM
PLAINFIELD AND NORWICH POLICE DEPARTMENTS DURING THE FIREWORK'S EVENT AND
ADDITIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT MUTUAL AID ASSISTS ARE COMMITTED TO THE CAR
CRUISE EVENT.**

**EFFECTIVE 07/27/19, K-9 ARON HAS RETIRED FROM POLICE SERVICE. SGT. MICHAEL
TERMINI AND HIS PARTNER ARON HAVE SERVED THE PUTNAM POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE
SSD, AND SURROUNDING JURISDICTIONS WITH DISTINCTION. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT
SGT. TERMINI'S DEDICATION TO ARON AND THE K-9 PROGRAM HAS BEEN REMARKABLE,
AND THE POLICE CHIEF THANKED THEM FOR THEIR YEARS OF LOYAL SERVICE.**

**A NEW PATROL K-9 HANDLER HAS BEEN SELECTED. OFFICER MICHAEL EINSIEDEL WAS
CHOSEN. THE ACQUISITION OF THE NEW POLICE K-9 HAS BEEN COMPLETED, AND THE
NEW K-9 WILL BE FORMALLY ANNOUNCED AND INTRODUCED ON WEDNESDAY, 8/14/19
DURING A FUND RAISER FOR THE K-9 PROGRAM. TRAINING PROVIDED BY THE CT. STATE
POLICE WILL BEGIN THE THIRD WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 2019.**

**THE NEW 2019 FORD POLICE INTERCEPTOR SUV, FUNDED BY THE STATE VCP GRANT, WAS
THE FIRST NEW POLICE CRUISER AT THE PUTNAM POLICE DEPARTMENT SINCE 2017.
OFFICER DANA PELOSO REMAINS OUT ON WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION FOR NECK &
BACK INJURIES SUSTAINED ON DUTY IN MAY. THERE IS NO PROJECTED DATE OF RETURN.
POLICE OFFICER ZACHERY BRIGNOLE HAS SUBMITTED HIS LETTER OF RESIGNATION
EFFECTIVE 08/28/2019. OFFICER BRIGNOLE IS RELOCATING TO COLORADO, WHERE HE**

HAS

**ACCEPTED A POSITION WITH THE COLORADO POLICE. POLICE CHIEF IS LOOKING TO DO
A LATERAL HIRE BY 11/2019.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: A/C MARION HAS RECEIVED NOTICE FROM LEGAL ATTORNEY THAT THAT THE SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT MUST PAY THE HEART/HYPERTENSION CLAIM. THE VOTE THAS WAS TAKEN AT THE SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT'S SPECIAL MEETING WAS NOT REQUIRED. MOTION-A/VC TAYLOR, SECOND, A/M ZAMAGNI TO APPROVE AND PAY FROM THE SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT'S GENERAL FUND. UV

NEW BUSINESS: TRAVIS SIRRINE PROVIDING GASOLINE FOR SSD VEHICLES
MR. SIRRINE ADDRESSED THE BOARD EXPLAINING THE NEW FUELMASTER SYSTEM THAT HAS BEEN INSTALLED AT THE TOWN HIGHWAY GARAGE ON FOX ROAD. HE FEELS THE DISTRICT WOULD BENEFIT BY USING THIS SYSTEM TO GAS UP POLICE VEHICLES, AS THE SYSTEM RECORDS VALUABLE INFORMATION AND WOULD PROVIDE COST SAVINGS TO THE DISTRICT. THE UNDERGROUND FUEL TANK AT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE TO BE DECOMMISSIONED IN THE NEAR FUTURE. MOTION-A/M ZAMAGNI, SECOND, V/C TAYLOR TO ALLOW POLICE DEPARTMENT TO GAS UP VEHICLES AT FOX RD. UV
THE FUEL TANK CLOSE OFF OPTIONS WILL BE PUT ON THE SEPTEMBER 2019 AGENDA.

ACCEPTANCE OF USDA GRANT

MOTION-A/M ZAMAGNI, SECOND, A/VC TAYLOR TO ACCEPT 55%/45% USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT UV

MOTON-A/VC TAYLOR, SECOND, A/M ZAMAGNI TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 8:25 PM UV

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

LUCILLE HERRICK
DISTRICT CLERK

