

Temple-Greenville Police Joint Board

Minutes of the Public Meeting

June 25, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by chair Bill Ezell of Temple. Others in attendance were Gail Cromwell of Temple, Doug Reardon and Maggie Bickford of Greenville, and Chief McTague.

Minutes:

A motion by G. Cromwell, seconded by D. Reardon to accept the minutes of the April 2nd meeting as written was passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

G. Cromwell informed the board that the issue regarding the potential overpayment by Temple to Greenville had been cleared up.

It was reported that the contract had been forwarded to the Attorney General, and that it had not yet been approved. It has historically taken a few months for the approval process.

NEW BUSINESS:

D. Reardon, on behalf of the full Greenville Board of Selectmen, requested that the Department begin to issue tickets to anyone parking on the sidewalks on Main Street. Chief McTague stated that Town Ordinance parking tickets would be issued first. If not paid in a timely manner, State summons would be issued, which could result in a court date, and a hearing by the judge. Mr. Reardon stated that the department has the full support of the board for this plan.

A motion by G. Cromwell, seconded by M. Bickford to approve the expenditure of \$677.20 for new tires for the 2016 cruiser was approved. The voucher for the purchase was signed by the board.

BUDGET:

The budget is at appropriate levels. The book budget is over, but the total amount is comparatively insignificant. Prosecution is somewhat high, due to an increase in court cases, with multiple domestic violence cases for the year. G. Cromwell inquired about how the community relations budget line was being spent. Chief McTague reported that the department had purchased pens and Jr. Police officer stickers to hand out. He also reported that that he is putting together a class to assist local fire departments with developing and implementing Standard Operating Procedures. M. Bickford inquired about department interactions with school children. Chief McTague responded that school programs were done at the schools, so T-GPD does more in Temple, at the elementary school.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

The new cruiser is in Newington for installation of lights, radar, and radio. When that is done, it will go to Don Kraemer for decals, during the week of July 4th. It will then be ready for service.

He reported that in order to prepare the old cruiser for sale, he had to replace a seatbelt latch. The cost for replacement was \$65.00. A motion by G. Cromwell, seconded by D. Reardon to make this purchase from the detail revolving fund was passed.

Chief McTague updated the board on his recent efforts to improve school safety at the Temple Elementary School. He created a new path for evacuations, and will be numbering the exterior doors for easier identification. The Chief and the Board discussed school safety, and efforts by local chiefs and the SAU to provide a safe environment.

Chief McTague reported that the department will be fully staffed for the 3rd and 4th of July festivities. He anticipates a lower number of incidents, due to the midweek timing of the holiday.

The board discussed the fireworks ordinances in both towns. M. Bickford suggested informing the public via the town website.

At 5:40, a motion by G. Cromwell, seconded by D. Reardon to adjourn the meeting was passed.

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