New Paltz Police Commission Meeting

July 11, 2023, 7:00pm

Town of New Paltz Community Center

3 Veterans Drive, New Paltz, NY

I. Meeting Details

Chairperson: Cindy Sanchez Secretary: Haley Nechamkin

II. Roll Call

Present:

Cindy Sanchez
Tara Fitzpatrick
Steve Ford
Chief Lucchesi
Karrie Rahaman-Bunce
Janice Butcher

III. Call to Order

7:11 pm.

Announcements:

• Monthly conversations with the police: 7/19 @

Approval of Agenda: Cindy moves to approve agenda for today. All in favor. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes for May and June. All in favor. Motion passed.

IV. Public Input/Community Comments:

None

V. Old Business

No old business to review

VI. New Business

• New Dispatcher; Looking into additional part-time dispatcher as well

Discussion regarding recommendations of Reform and Reinvention Committee:

- Reinstatement of Civilian Police Commission (Pg. 14)
 - One year in- can any changes be made organizationally or otherwise?
 - Talked about commissioners doing ride-alongs
 - Upcoming trainings- just completed CFR Medical; Two more rounds of tactics trainings coming up—Chief will forward info about this to commissioners (usually in August)
- Data regarding Racial Bias in NP Policing (Pg. 8)
 - Chief: In regards to traffic stops, a method for collecting data based on gender and race began in August of 2020. 12 months worth of data was published in 2021 and is posted on the police website. NP is the only department in Ulster County to collect and publish this kind of data. Officers fill out incident supplemental forms- based solely on observation-individuals are not asked explicitly what their race and gender are.
 - In terms of arrests and use of force, this data on gender and race is already being collected. This data has been published as well since 2020.
 - All data obtained is analyzed and taken into consideration—will help better inform policy-making, etc.

Monthly Report:

- One Personnel complaint
- Five Commendations
- Two Defensive Action reports
- New patrol vehicle

VII. Other Items

No additional items at this time

VIII. Move to Executive Session

7:58pm.

IX. Return from Executive Session

No action taken during Executive Session.

X. Adjournment

Cindy motions, Karrie seconds to adjourn at 8:41pm. All in favor. Motion passed