

**Police Commission Meeting
September 20, 2018
6:30 p.m.**

Present: Commissioner Neil Bettez, Commissioner Dan Torres, Commissioner David Brownstein, Commissioner Marty Irwin, Chief Joe Snyder.

Absent: Commissioner Julie Seyfert-Lillis.

At 6:36 p.m. a motion was made by Commissioner Bettez to open the meeting with the pledge. Seconded by Commissioner Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Agenda:

A motion was made by Commissioner Bettez to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Brownstein, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Public Input:

Sandra Panman and Caroline Paulson, Springtown Road, spoke on behalf of many residents on Springtown Road who are concerned with the area near Dug Road that is being used as an unofficial and unregulated shooting range. The residents are concerned about their safety and the noise. They feel that there is no need for this when the New Paltz Rod and Gun Club is available.

Chief Snyder indicated that he has been made aware of this problem and has sent officers to speak to the people there but the problem has persisted. He also indicated that since the Town does not specifically have an ordinance for this, there is no way to stop it. The Board will further discuss this during the meeting this evening.

Award Presentation:

Chief Snyder presented the Chief's Award to Chris Dennehy for his help in establishing Police Mental Health and De-Escalation training programs at the Police Department.

Monthly Report-August 2018:

Defensive Actions (0)

Commendations (7)

1. An email was received from a woman who thanked Officers Lewis and Yant for their assistance when she accidentally drove her car onto the Rail Trail.
2. A letter was received from a gentleman who thanked Officer Lewis for allowing him to join him on a ride-along.
3. A letter was received from a resident thanking the New Paltz Police Department and Fire Department for their quick response to a fire on Rocky Hill Road.
4. A letter was received from a woman and her family thanking the Police for their assistance with traffic during her husband's funeral.
5. A letter was received from the Town of Rochester Summer Program thanking Sgt. Fuoco and Officer Halstead for their hospitality and for all the Department does.
6. A gentleman expressed his gratitude at the Police Department to Officers Bernhardsen and Sgt. Fuoco who assisted him with an accident.

7. A letter was received thanking Officer Kraus for giving a group of kids a tour of the Police Department.

Executive Session:

At 7:05 p.m. a motion was made by Commissioner Bettez to go into executive session for the purposes of discussing personnel with the Chief. Seconded by Commissioner Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 7:12 p.m. a motion was made by Commissioner Bettez to return from executive session with no action taken. Seconded by Commissioner Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Hiring of Part-Time Dispatcher:

A motion was made by Commissioner Bettez to refer the hiring of Ahren Robertson as a part-time dispatcher to the Town Board. Seconded by Commissioner Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 7:14 p.m. a motion was made by Commissioner Bettez to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Mazzaccari Rosenkranse
Town Clerk