



NEWINGTON POLICE COMMISSION MEETING



There was a meeting of the Newington Police Commissioners on **Tuesday, March 4, 2025** at the Newington Police Department.

PRESENT: Chairman Brenda Blonigen, Commissioner Jack Hoyt, Commissioner Dave Obertanec, Chief Michael Bilodeau, Executive Administrator Taylor Fiore

I CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Blonigen **called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm**

II MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

On a **MOTION** by Commissioner Obertanec and **seconded** by, Commissioner Hoyt the **Commissioners voted unanimously to accept the minutes from the February 4, 2025 meeting as written.**

On a **MOTION** by Commissioner Obertanec and **seconded** by, Commissioner Hoyt the **Commissioners voted unanimously to accept and seal the minutes from the February 4, 2025 non-public meeting as written.**

III POLICE COMMISSION INFORMATION

Other Police Commission Information: The Commissioners reviewed and approved expenditures to date.

IV OLD BUSINESS

A. N/A

V NEW BUSINESS

A. Little Bay Water Project

- a. Commissioner Dave Obertanec brought up the Little Bay water Project to make sure that there will be enough officers available for details for this project. Jeremy Boston along with the Portsmouth Water and Chief Bilodeau have been in communication with each other and we will have enough officers to help cover this project. It will be a 45-60 day project. There will be a pre-construction meeting to determine the amount vehicles and heavy equipment that will impede on the roadway and where the officer/s need to be posted for traffic purposes.

B. iHeart Media Recruitment Proposal

- a. LT. Wood did a virtual job fair and afterwards was called by an iHeart media representative to talk about doing a hiring announcement for Newington Police across its platform of radio stations, social media and podcasts. The announcement would go out



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during the morning and evening commutes and the representative created a script based off bullet points that LT. Wood sent him about what we offer. The cost is \$7600 for 6 weeks and the discussion will be tabled until the April meeting to make sure the budget is passed in town and based off the commissioners looking for the demographic that this recruitment proposal will reach. Commissioner Obertanec motioned to table this discussion based on those two previously mentioned action items and Chairman Blonigen seconded that motion.

C. Jack Hoyt Celebration

- a. The Police Commission, along with members of the Police Department, the Selectmen, employees of the town, library and Fire Department came to honor Commissioner Jack Hoyt's 27 years of dedicated service to the Newington Police Commission.

VI (If Applicable) Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 II(c)

A. N/A

VII NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME/LOCATION

The next meeting is **scheduled for Tuesday, April 1, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.** at the Newington Police Department.

VIII ADJOURNMENT

On a **MOTION** by Chairman Blonigen and **seconded** by Commissioner Hoyt, **the Commissioners voted unanimously to adjourn at 4:35 pm**

by Executive Administrator Taylor Fiore