

## PAC meeting minutes 10/21/13

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Meeting called to order 6:35pm. In attendance: Kevin Sullivan, Linda Clark, Jeannette Baker, Kate Merchant, Chief Dupuis, Selectman Donovan, Richard Inman, Jon Pearson, Tara Gunnigle, Jaye Bowe, Bill Bowe

Linda went to Boscawen PD to see what their meetings entailed. She states that they are truly working as a team- Chief had the agenda. We are welcome to attend them anytime.

Kevin-

Last meeting- expressed feelings of frustration that we aren't accomplishing anything. Not a lot of input from the public- we are half way in our year commitment- we should reach out to the community to get input. Would like to propose to enter into a discussion to create our own survey and sending to residents for input. He looked online- found Durham PD completed a survey using the IACP- found 3 NE towns- made a copy for the committee to look at. Can we conduct this survey? He found an online survey from a town in IL- 1-5 ratings and yes/no questions. This could be beneficial to the PD if thought goes into the answers. If done properly it could foster better communication between the residents and PD. Logistically can we complete it? The town received a 20% response the recent survey that was just completed. The Chief would need to be hands on with developing the survey. Selectman felt that it may survey overload- he suggests putting it out around town meeting. He thinks that it should be a community focused. Kevin would like it to be a PD based only survey. Simple direct questions. Richard supports sending out the surveys with the tax bills prior to town meeting; this will enable us to report back to the town with findings. Kimball states that we should reach out to the town people to tell them how we feel. The committee needs to be able to reach the towns people to pull the town together.

Can we put in the Grapevine- how much to put in? \$.010. We could write a blurb in the Newsvine stating that there is a survey available to complete at the town offices.

What does the Chief think? What questions would you ask? (Not intended to be a witch hunt.) Chief states he would be happy to sit down with whoever wants to create the survey/ questions. One page- no more than 10 questions. What do we want to do with this? Richard wants direction since we have gotten no direction from the Selectman and we have no authority to advise the PD. Can we meet privately? No, it has to be public. We would need to post the meeting. Any official town committees must hold public meetings. We have advisory powers so we should be able to present to the selectman.

Kate mentioned that many residents want the cruiser at the school for drop off and pick up. Chief states it's not possible to have done every day.

When an Officer gets off a detail when does the officer go on duty? Ex. Officer went 10-1 (on duty) from Loudon at 1800 after race and didn't get to town until 18:20. Cruiser inspections- is there a policy? No, but there are inspections when they have meetings. When does the Chief's time start? When he gets to the town.

We had discussion about the cruiser being out of the town- reported seeing the cruiser meeting with BPD- traffic stops on Rte 3.

Is gas for commute for Chief included in the gas budget? Yes. How much is that affecting the cruisers being on the road in Webster? Selectman Donovan stated that is a valid question.

Selectman Donovan stated that we had productive conversation at this meeting. The feeling from Tara is that the concerns fall on deaf ears. The results from the survey were hidden in the Selectman's meeting minutes.

Maybe we could write a monthly article for the PAC- what would we want to put in it?

Trying to change the fiscal year- January to December. Propose to change from March to February. We're out alignment with school budget. We would have to either be a 18 mo budget or 6 month budget. Voting a budget that would start in July.

Survey planning meeting following the Selectman's meeting.

DARE breakfast- how did we do? We made \$- ?

We are scheduled to speak to the Selectman's meeting on Monday October 28, 2013.

What we will be discussing:

Holiday coverage/pay- hourly time and half and holiday pay- Salary- nothing. Town vest policy. Sign for town- message board- using the post that is already there. Budget for PAC- for paperwork/ surveys expenses.

Richard would like to know where most of the calls come from- Chief will print IMC and bring to next meeting. Does he adjust his patrols based on the results?

What ever happened to having a satellite PD in Pillsbury Lake- liability is high. No cost to equip the location.

Copart- can we lower the speed limit? A study has to be completed- can the town work on preferred routes?

Next meeting November 18, 2013.