

DISTRICT AUTHORITY MEETING

JANUARY 09, 2023

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

MEMBERS PRESENT: A/C NORMAND PERRON, A/VC BRIAN MAYNARD, A/M KATHY NOEL-JOHNSON, A/M STEVEN GAGNON (ON SPEAKER PHONE).

MEMBERS ABSENT: A/M SHARON STEWART

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION A/VC MAYNARD, SECOND A/M NOEL-JOHNSON TO APPROVE MINUTES OF 12/12/2022 DISTRICT AUTHORITY MEETING AS PRESENTED. UV

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: NONE

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS: PROPERTY TAX REFUNDS

TO: TOYOTA LEASE TRUST, WOBURN MA—G/L10-22MV \$855.02-(8) VEHICLES SOLD
MOTION A/VC MAYNARD, SECOND A/M NOEL-JOHNSON TO APPROVE TAX REFUND. UV

LETTER FROM PUTNAM EMS AMBULANCE SERVICE INC INFORMING THE PUTNAM POLICE DEPARTMENT THAT EFFECTIVE 01/01/2023, THEY WILL BE SWITCHING THEIR DISPATCHING FROM W.A. DISPATCH TO Q.V.E.C. DISPATCHER SUPERVISOR MICHAEL CAMPBELL, AND THE ENTIRE WA DISPATCHING TEAM, WERE THANKED FOR THE MANY YEARS OF SERVICE PROVIDED TO PUTNAM EMS.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT: FIRE CHIEF ROBERT CAMPBELL JR GAVE THE REPORT.

DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO 16 CALLS IN DECEMBER FOR A TOTAL OF 206 MAN HOURS.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO A TOTAL OF 193 CALLS FOR SERVICE IN 2022.

SQUAD 478 AND RESCUE 478 HAD THEIR ANNUAL FEDERAL INSPECTION AND PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE DONE. THERE ARE A FEW ISSUES WITH LIGHTS AND CAB LIFT ON SQUAD 478, BUT THEY ARE MINOR IN NATURE.

CHIEF CAMPBELL GAVE COPY OF LETTER HE SENT TO THE PUTNAM SCHOOL DISTRICT REGARDING FALSE FIRE ALARM CALLS. PRESENTLY, PHONE CALLS TO DISPATCH, FIRE CHIEF, AND FIRE MARSHALL ARE RECEIVED STATING THE ALARM IS FALSE, AND THEY WANT TO BRING THE STUDENTS BACK INTO THE SCHOOL. CHIEF CAMPBELL IS REQUESTING THAT NO PHONE CALLS BE MADE TO ANY OF THE ABOVE. ONCE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES A CALL THEY WILL RESPOND TO VERIFY IF IT IS A FALSE ALARM OR AN ACTIVE FIRE.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: POLICE CHRISTOPHER FERACE GAVE THE REPORT.

DISPATCH CENTER RECEIVED 1383 CALLS IN DECEMBER 2022.

OFFICERS INITIATED 50 INVESTIGATIONS WITH 49 CRIMINAL OFFENSES REPORTED INCLUDING 6 FELONIES. A TOTAL OF 16 ARRESTS WERE MADE THAT INCLUDED 6 BY WARRANT, 6 ON SITE AND 4 JUVENILE SUMMONS. OFFICERS RESPONDED TO 16 DOMESTICS VIOLENCE INCIDENTS, 13 MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS, THAT INCLUDES PRIVATE LOTS, AND 13 ALARM ACTIVATIONS.

POLICE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED TOTAL INCOME OF \$36,765.50 THAT INCLUDED \$36,160.50 FOR OUTSIDE POLICE WORK.

POLICE OFFICER CHIP CARNEY WILL BE PRESENTED A FORMAL LETTER OF COMMENDATION FOR HIS EFFORTS IN RECOVERING A 2021 BMW M3 THAT WAS STOLEN IN NEW JERSEY IN NOVEMBER 2022.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: THE NEW POLICE UNION CONTRACT SHOULD BE READY FOR PRESENTATION TO THE DISTRICT AUTHORITY AT FEBRUARY'S MONTHLY MEETING.

NEW BUSINESS: A REFUND CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,696.80 THAT WAS DEPOSITED IN PUTNAM FORD'S ESCROW ACCOUNT FOR A NEW FORD PICKUP TRUCK HAS BEEN REQUESTED BECAUSE OF UNAVAILABILITY OF VEHICLE TO BE DELIVERED. MHQ OUT OF OXFORD, MA HAS A SUPPLY OF DODGE RAM 1500 POLICE MODEL SSV PICKUP TRUCKS THAT ARE AVAILABLE. ONE CAN BE DELIVERED TO THE PUTNAM POLICE DEPARTMENT AT THE STATE CONTRACT PRICE OF \$40,651.00. CHIEF FERACE REQUESTS THAT REFUND CHECK FROM PUTNAM FORD BE USED TO PURCHASE VEHICLE FROM MHQ.

MOTION-A/VC MAYNARD, SECOND A/M NOEL-JOHNSON TO APPROVE USING REFUND CHECK FROM PUTNAM FORD TO PURCHASE A FORD PICKUP TRUCK FROM MHQ. UV

OTHER BUSINESS: WEST PUTNAM'S REPRESENTATIVE SHELDON QUESTIONED THE NEED TO PURCHASE A NEW PUMPER/TANKER FIRE VEHICLE SOLELY FOR WEST PUTNAM. FIRE CHIEF CAMPBELL ASSURED MR. SHELDON THAT THE VEHICLE WAS BEING PURCHASED FOR THE PUTNAM FIRE DEPARTMENT'S NEEDS AS WELL AS WEST PUTNAM.

MOTION-A/VC MAYNARD, SECOND A/M NOEL JOHNSON TO CLOSE MEETING AT 7:24 PM. UV

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

LUCILLE HERRICK
DISTRICT CLERK