## DISTRICT AUTHORITY MEETING MAY 09, 2022

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:07 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: A/C NORMAND PERRON, A/VC BRIAN MAYNARD,

A/M STEVE GAGNON, A/M KATHY NOEL-JOHNSON

MEMBERS ABSENT: A/M SHARON STEWART

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</u> MOTION A/VC MAYNARD, SECOND A/M GAGNON TO APPROVE MINUTES OF 04/11//2022 PUBLI HEARING AND 4/11/2022 DISTRICT AUTHORITY MEETING AS PRESENTED UV

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: NONE** 

## PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS: REVENUE COLLECTOR'S REQUEST FOR TAX REFUNDS

TO: N PROVOST TRKNG & LANDSCAPE, PUTNAM, CT--\$59.85 ON G/L10-20, VEHICLE SOLD MARY BEAUSOLEIL, PUTNAM, CT--\$13.50 ON G/L10-20, VEHICLE SOLD MOTION-A/M GAGNON, SECOND A/VC MAYNARD TO APPROVE TAX REFUNDS. UV

## **REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS:**

POLICE DEPARTMENT: DISPATCH CENTER RECEIVED 1512 CALLS IN APRIL 2022. OFFICERS INITIATED 69 INVESTIGATIONS WITH 50 CRIMINAL OFFENSES REPORTED INCLUDING 6 FELONIES. A TOTAL OF 19 ARRESTS WERE MADE THAT INCLUDED 6 BY WARRANT, 12 ON SITE AND 1 JUVENILE ARREST.

OFFICERS RESPONDED TO 11 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INCIDENTS, 17 MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS, THAT INCLUDES PRIVATE LOTS, AND 11 ALARM ACTIVATIONS.

POLICE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED TOTAL INCOME OF \$13,743.00 THAT INCLUDED \$12,867.50 FOR OUTSIDE POLICE WORK.

CHIEF FERACE ADVISED THE DISTRICT AUTHORITY MEMBERS OF A NEW PROGRAM THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS ESTABLISHED WITH UNITED SERVICES. THE DEPARTMENT NOW HAS A SOCIAL WORK POLICE LIAISON, ASHLEY FOSTER, WHO WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT 40 PLUS HOURS A WEEK AND WILL BE DIRECTLY INVOLVED WITH INDIVIDUALS OR FAMILIES AFFLICTED BY MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, PERSONAL CRISIS', SUBSTANCE ABUSE, HOMELESSNESS, JUVENILE ISSUES, ETC. SHE WILL ALSO ON OCCASION BE RIDING WITH AN OFFICER UP TO 8 HOURS A WEEK, FOR THE TIME BEING, TO RESPOND TO THESE CALLS. SHE HAS MADE HERSELF AVAILABLE TO THE PUTNAM POLICE AND OUR COMMUNITY TO ASSIST IN ANY NON-LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RELATED CAPACITY THAT THE POLICE OFTEN RESPOND TO. IN ADDITION, SHE WILL BE CONDUCTING FOLLOW-UPS VISITS OR CALLS AFTER THE FACT TO ANY INDIVIDUALS OR FAMILIES WHO CAN USE THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY UNITED SERVICES. THE PROGRAM COMES AT NO COST TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND IS FUNDED BY UNITED SERVICES. THE POSITIVE FEEDBACK FROM UNITED SERVICES HAS BEEN EXCELLENT. CHIEF FERACE INTRODUCED SHAWN M GRAYSON, FROM BROOKLYN, CT. TO THE DISTRICT AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBERS. MR. GRAYSON IS THE NUMBER ONE CANDIDATE FOR THE VACANT POLICE OFFICER POSITION. BARRING ANY UNFORESEEN CIRUMSTANCES, MR. GRAYSON WILL BE SWORN IN TENTATIVELY ON OR ABOUT JUNE 1ST, AND WILL START THE POSTC POLICE ACADEMY ON JUNE 3RD. MR. GRAYSON IS A GRADUATE OF NORWICH UNIVERSITY AND CURRENTLY HOLDS THE RANK OF SECOND LIEUTENANT IN THE CT ARMY NATIONAL GUARD ASSIGNED TO A MILITARY POLICE UNIT.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: ASST. FIRE CHIEF RICK DIVINCENZO GAVE THE MONTHLY REPORT. DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO 22 CALLS IN APRIL 2022 WITH A TOTAL OF 202.50 MAN HOURS TYLER LABRANCHE IS NEW MEMBER IN HOSE COMPANY 1 ON A 6 MONTH PROBATION. PUTNAM SCIENCE ACADEMY WAS SENT A SECOND FINE OF \$250.00 FOR A FALSE ALARM ON 04/28/2022. A STUDENT USED AN AEROSAL SPRAY THAT SET OFF THE ALARM. ALL STUDENTS HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY ADVISED THAT AEROSEL SPRAYS WERE NOT ALLOWED IN THE BUILDINGS AND KNEW THAT ALL AEROSAL SPRAYS WERE TO BE DISPOSED OF. THE SCHOOL PERSONNEL THAT WORK WITH THE STUDENTS HAVE PUT SIGNS UP THROUGHOUT THE BUILDINGS STATING THAT NO AEROSAL SPRAYS WERE ALLOWED, AND ALSO PUT UP A LIST OF WHAT STUDENTS COULD AND COULD NOT BRING FOR ALL FUTURE STUDENTS ATTENDING THE SCHOOL.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ALONG WITH THE EAST PUTNAM FIRE DEPARTMENT HELD 2 DEPARTMENT TRAINING SESSIONS AT THE EAST PUTNAM FIRE STATION. 19 FIREFIGHTERS ATTENDED THE FIRST TRAINING SESSION, AND 18 FIREFIGHTERS ATTENDED THE SECOND TRAINING SESSION.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE** 

NEW BUSINESS: SET MILL RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023:

MOTION-A/VC MAYNARD, SECOND A/M GAGNON TO APPROVE SETTING A MILL RATE OF 9.5 MILLS TO FINANCE FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 BUDGET. UV

MOTION-A/VC MAYNARD, SECOND A/M GAGNON TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 7:15 PM UV RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

LUCILLE HERRICK DISTRICT CLERK