

## **Berlin Police Commission Meeting Minutes Nov 15, 2023**

The Berlin Police Commission held their monthly meeting on Wednesday November 15, 2023 in the 'Doc' McIntosh Conference Room at the Berlin Town Hall, 240 Kensington Road, Berlin CT.

**In Attendance** Chairman Steven Wilson, Vice Chairman Dave Rogan, Commissioners Paul Eshoo, Melissa Urrunaga, Ryan Zelek and Deputy Chief Drew Gallupe and Chief Matt McNally

**The meeting was called to order** by Chairman Wilson at 630pm.

### **The Pledge of Allegiance.**

There were no correspondence to the Commission received.

Motion to approve the Oct meeting minutes was made by Commissioner Dave Rogan and seconded by Commissioner Paul Eshoo. All were in favor.

**Audience of Citizens.** Fred Morley, resident of East Berlin requested to address the commission regarding criticism of road safety in his neighborhood. He supports the department's efforts to hear their concerns.

**Chiefs Monthly Report.** Chief McNally pointed out the highlight of the report as it deals with Berlin's Pathway to hiring, how it exists today and the changes that can be made to widen the reach while controlling the cost. Discussion regarding the grid shown followed, with all Commissioners agreeing the changes made great sense.

Currently the department has two candidates in the New Britain Academy set to graduate on Dec 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Old Business** Deputy Chief Drew Gallupe stated that Berlin has opened a discussion with the State regarding the Radio Communications. As initial tests were done townwide with 'handheld' radios, verifying that full town coverage was available. Discussion regarding how the system works, benefits and ease of transition. The next step will be to allow NorCom to speak with the State regarding the process and dollar amounts involved. Commissioner Melissa Urrunaga noted that the area behind McGee School

was a concern. Deputy Chief Gallupe stated he would work with NorCom for the use of boosters to resolve the issue.

CALEA Assessors update was reviewed and the Chief Noted that the changes recommended were policy based.

**Motion to enter into Executive session** was made by Vice Chair Dave Rogan at 715pm for the purpose of personnel matters, second was made by Commissioner Ryan Zelek. Invited into Executive Session was the Chief Matt McNally. All were in favor.

**Motion to leave Executive Session** at 745pm was made by Commissioner Melissa Urrunaga and seconded by Vice Chairman Dave Rogan.

Motion to accept the resignation of Officer Dan Ithier and the promotion to Sargeant Youth Detective Brett Kelly was made by Commissioner Melissa Urrunaga and seconded by Vice Chairman Dave Rogan.

**Investigative Division Report-** There were no comments or concerns.

**Youth Officer Report-** there were no comments or concerns.

**Support Services-**There were no comments or concerns.

**Patrol Operations Division-**Vice Chairman noted the good work done with the stolen firearm .

**Administration Operations-**There were no comments or concerns.

**Foi Log-** There were no comments or concerns

**Motion to adjourn** at 754 was made by Commissioner Melissa Urrunaga and seconded by Commissioner Paul Eshoo. All were in favor.

Minutes submitted by

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Recording Secretary/ Police Commission

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