Town of Boscawen Public Safety Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – Final December 13, 2023

Present: Chair Kevin Sullivan, Vice Chair Sean Goldman, Police Chief Jason Killary, Fire Chief Tim Kenney, Penacook Rescue Chief Shawn Brechtel, Barbara Randall, and Select Board Member Bill Bevans

Guests: Jim Wattson, Gary Waters

Chair Sullivan called the meeting to order at 6:00PM

Chief Killary motioned to accept the 10/10/23 minutes as written. Seconded by Chief Brechtel. All in favor.

Chief Killary motioned to accept the Rules of Procedures. Seconded by Chief Kenney. All in favor.

Updates from the Chiefs:

Fire -

- Pumps have all been inspected and passed.
- Call volume has picked up but is anticipated to be on par for the year.
- New member not certified yet but is taking EMS and EMR courses.
- Need is still high for daytime, Monday Friday personnel.
- 2024 Budget is 2.1% less than previous year.

Police -

- Only one position that isn't filled, but is budgeted for in 2024 budget
- 2024 budget shows a decrease of 2.2%
- Chief Killary attended a Chiefs of Police Training. The 1st day focused on active shooter training and the 2nd day was about tolerance and connections.
- Cruiser is ready except for radar. The Chief is applying for a grant for that.
- Department's Christmas for Kids program is wrapping up for the year.
- Officer Ashley Keisling is currently attending LEAD training and will work with Boscawen Elementary's 5th grade students upon completion.
- Movie night at Boscawen Elementary, organized by Corporal Liz Murray, was a success.

EMS-

- Call volume continues to be high; calls to Concord have decreased but trips to neighboring towns have increased.
- Both ambulances are getting new tires.
- Four new people have been hired, which will help with staffing needs.

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Guests asked several clarifying questions of the chiefs. Sean Goldman asked what the protocol is for mental health calls. Discussion ensued.

Motion was made to adjourn at 7:15.

Next meeting will be February 13, 2024 at the Boscawen Police Station.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Randall