Minutes of the Hopkinton Police Commission Meeting of 12/14/2023

The meeting was called to order at 3:45pm. Present: Captain Carrier, Det. Howard Mills, Geoff Cook and Phil Scalise.

Old Business: Review of the past month's activity: Captain Carrier reported that there were two overdoses reported, with zero fatalities; there were 3 mental health calls; 0 suicides but one assist to suicidal subject; there were seven assists to local agencies; 89 checks at local schools; and 148 traffic tickets written, and uptick from the previous month.

There was also a head on collision in Hope valley, at Spring St/Rte. 138 with a car and a dump truck. Also, an 80+ year old individual was stopped for speeding, and was found to have an amount of crystal meth.

Detective Forbes with his canine Officer Raymond, is now formally certified as a compassion dog.

Animal cases: There were- 12 animal complaints responded to.

New Business:

The Axon taser 10's are now formally scheduled for next week to fully complete all training for all appropriate personnel in the dept. which will make the dept 100% certified.

HPD supported the town's Holiday Stroll, which was very well attended.

Employee retention: No updates at this time.

The minutes of 11/9/23 were reviewed. Geoff Cook made one update, and made a motion to accept them with those minor edits, the motion was seconded by Det. Mills and the motion carried.

In other new business, the group further discussed the Citizen Police Academy. Det. Mills afforded the HPD an excellent framework for how Westerly conducts their program, and it will greatly help us to start our program. Captain Carrier recorded a likely curriculum and will fine tune the 10 week program. The academy will likely start Feb. 7 and will be held at the Ashaway Fire dept.

The 911 signage: No new input. The town needs to be ready to send the notices out in April when the tax bills go out.

Motion to adjourn at 4:55 pm by Geoff, seconded by Howard, and the motion carried. Respectfully Submitted for review

2/9/24

Philip Scalise, Secretary,

Hopkinton Police Commission