

# DISTRICT AUTHORITY MEETING

NOVEMBER 12, 2024

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:10 P.M. WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

MEMBERS PRESENT: A/C NORMAND PERRON, A/VC BRIAN MAYNARD, A/M STEVEN GAGNON, A/M KATHLEEN HAYES, A/M MICHAEL VASSAR.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION-A/VC MAYNARD, SECOND A/M GAGNON TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT AUTHORITY MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 12, 2024. UV

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: NONE

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS: REVENUE COLLECTOR'S REEQUEST FOR TAX REFUNDS:  
TO: HARVEY A ROWE, PUTNAM CT ON G/L10-23MV—VEHICLE SOLD-----\$ 3.52  
WAYNE E PLANTIER, NO. GROSVENORDALE CT ON g/ L10-23MV—VEH. JUNKED--\$ 21.05  
ANDREW R DELORGE, PUTNAM CT ON G/L10-23MV—OVERPAYMENT-----\$ 26.38  
DAVID W MILLER, PUTNAM CT ON G/L10-23MV—VEHICLE SOLD-----\$ .36  
MOTION A/M GAGNON, SECOND A/M HAYES TO APPROVE PROPERTY TAX REFUNDS. UV

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT: FIRE CHIEF ROBERT CAMPBELL GAVE THE REPORT DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO 29 CALLS IN OCTOBER THAT INCLUDED 11 MUTUAL AIDS CALLS. 20 VOLUNTEERS ATTENDED THE DEPARTMENT TRAINING ON 10/12/2024. ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF KERRY FARRELL IS ON MEDICAL LEAVE EFFECTIVE 11/01/2024. FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED 4 DONATIONS ON BEHALF OF RETIRED ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF GREGORY BONOSCONI, WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY. ENGINE 278 HAS BEEN TRANSPORTED TO WINTER HARBOR MAINE FIRE DEPARTMENT. THEY EXPRESSED EXTREME GRATITUDE TO THE PUTNAM SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT MEMBERS AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT HAD A SUCCESSFUL BARTENDER NIGHT FOR BREAST CANCER AWARENESS, COLLECTING A TOTAL OF \$2000.00. FIRE CHIEF CAMPBELL WILL BE CONTACTING DKH ONCOLOGY TO PRESENT THE DONATION ON BEHALF OF ALL FIREFIGHTERS.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: POLICE CHIEF CHRISTOPHER FERACE GAVE THE REPORT. DISPATCH CENTER RECEIVED 1,081 CALLS FOR SERVICE IN OCTOBER 2024. OFFICERS INITIATED 47 INVESTIGATIONS WITH 49 CRIMINAL OFFENSES REPORTED INCLUDING 12 FELONIES. A TOTAL OF 22 ARRESTS WERE MADE THAT INCLUDED 11 BY WARRANT, AND 10 ON SITE, AND 1 JUVENILE SUMMONS. OFFICERS RESPONDED TO 12 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INCIDENTS, 19 MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS, THAT INCLUDES PRIVATE LOTS, AND 14 ALARMS ACTIVATIONS. POLICE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED TOTAL INCOME OF \$5,755.50 THAT INCLUDED \$4,448.00 FOR OUTSIDE POLICE WORK. ON 10/04/2024, AT THE ANNUAL CEREMONY OF MADD, POLICE OFFICER ROY HICKS AND POLICE SGT. NIKOLOS SEZENIAS WERE RECOGNIZED BY MADD AND RECEIVED THE MADD ENFORCEMENT AWARD FOR LEADING THE DEPARTMENT IN OUI ARRESTS. CPCA SERVE WELL, BE WELL AWARD-ON 10/09/2024, THE PUTNAM POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS 1 OF 11 POLICE DEPARTMENTS IN CT DESIGNATED BY THE CPCA, AS A SERVE WELL, BE WELL DEPARTMENT AT THIS YEAR'S CPCA OFFICER WELLNESS SYMPOSIUM. THIS AWARD SIGNIFIES THE DEPT'S COMMITMENT TO OFFICER WELLNESS & RESILIENCY. THE MIGRATION ONTO THE STATE OF CT CLMRN (700/800 BAND RADIO SYSTEM) PAID FOR BY THE TOWN OF PUTNAM'S ARPA FUNDS IS MAKING PROGRESS. MARCUS COMMUNICATIONS IS THE AWARDED VENDOR, AND THE STATE OF CT HAS APPROVED THE VENDOR, AS THE PROJECT CONTINUES. POLICE CHIEF FERACE INTRODUCED THE NEWEST MEMBER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, K-9 QUINEBAUG ("QUIN" OR "Q" FOR SHORT). QUIN IS A 2-YEAR-OLD BLACK LAB DONATED BY DYNA DOGS TO THE PUTNAM POLICE DEPARTMENT AS A SERVICE DOG. Q IS CURRENTLY IN WEEK 2 OF HIS TRAINING WITH HANDLER OFFICER MARK BOULANGER. THE PRESENCE OF Q IN THE BUILDING ENCOURAGES OFFICER WELLNESS AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, WILL BE AVAILABLE TO COMFORT CRIME VICTIMS, SUBJECTS IN MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS, DE-ESCALATE INDIVIDUALS, AND OFFER SUPPORT IN OUR SCHOOLS. UPON COMPLETION OF TRAINING ANTICIPATED THE WEEK OF 11/23/24, Q WILL BE CERTIFIED BY THE NORTH AMERICAN POLICE WORK DOG ASSOC.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: MOTION A/M GAGNON, SECOND A/M VASSAR TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUE AT 6:13 PM AND INVITE DISTRICT CLERK INTO SESSION. UV  
OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:28 PM. NO ACTION TAKEN.

MOTION MADE AND SECONDED TO CLOSE MEEETING AT 6:28 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

LUCILLE HERRICK  
DISTRICT CLERK