

Minutes of the Hopkinton Police Commission Meeting of 3/10/2022

The meeting was called to order at 3:35pm. Present: Chief Palmer, Captain Carrier, Phil Scalise, Howie Mills and Bob Marvel attended. No parties acknowledged their presence on the provided conference line.

Old Business:

1. Review of the past month's activity

Chief Palmer reported that last month there were three deaths reported; two deaths of elderly persons, and one overdose death, fentanyl suspected. This person had a manufacturing laboratory at their residence, which required the DEA hazmat team to be involved in the clean-up. So far this month, there has been another overdose death and another reported person who overdosed, but survived after being administered Narcan. Additionally, there were five DUI arrests made.

A question was asked regarding the department's ability to identify impaired individuals who may be under the influence of drugs. The technical term is for the dept. to have DRE personnel, which is "Drug recognition experts". This requires special training, which must be funded through HPD's existing budget process.

The department accreditation preparation was concluded, and paperwork was submitted on 3/8/22. The state review of the department will be at the HPD station on 3/16/22.

The mutual aid ordinance was signed with no issues.

The minutes of 2/17/22 were reviewed. Mr. Mills made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Phil, and the motion passed.

The 911 ordinance is with the Town Council and will be heard at the next scheduled council meeting.

Motion to adjourn at 4:47 pm by ^{Mills}~~Cook~~, seconded by Phil, and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted for review

Phil Scalise

Hopkinton Police Commission

Howard Mills
Suff A. Cook