

Minutes of the Hopkinton Police Commission Meeting of 4/14/2022

Jeff Cook

The meeting was called to order at 4:01pm. Phil arrived late. Present: Chief Palmer, Captain Carrier, Phil Scalise, Howie Mills and Bob Marvel, and Sherri Desjardins 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 the State accreditation board met at HPD and found all the preparation and policies were excellent and in perfect order. The formal accreditation certification will likely be awarded next month.

911 Ordinance: the new updated ordinance was approved at the last Town Council meeting as anticipated. Thanks to all who contributed, and importantly to Sherri Desjardins who shepherded this project for nearly a decade. Without her effort, and persistence, this result would not have happened.

Now that the ordinance is approved, next steps were briefly discussed. Getting the message out to residents was deemed tantamount to the success of this effort. Sherri will use a press release and social media to initiate efforts to communicate the intent of this ordinance and it's importance to people's safety. Sherri also agreed to develop a flyer design that could be given to the Fire Depts. and kept at HPD to be given to folks who possibly have more obvious need to be numbered.

Chief Palmer offered to contact all affected local fire departments and ambulance squads to solicit their ideas on how notification can be made. Ie: include 911 numbering as part of the awareness effort associated with changing batteries in smoke detectors once each year.

No minutes were reviewed as the secretary failed to prepare them in time for this month.

Motion to adjourn at 5:05 pm by Howard, seconded by Phil, and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted for review

Phil Scalise

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Howard Mills
Jeff Cook