

Town of East Lyme
Board of Police Commissioners
December 14, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Tony Buglione, Giancarlo D'Angelo, Regina Hitchery, Joseph Perkins, Mark Powers, Dan Price and Stephen Rebelowski

Also in Attendance: Chief Mike Finkelstein, Lt. Dana Jezierski, Lt. Mike Macek and First Selectman Dan Cunningham

1. Chairman Price called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Delegations – There were no delegations.
3. Approval of Minutes
Motion: Motion made by S. Rebelowski, seconded by R. Hitchery to approve the November 9, 2023 meeting minutes as submitted.
Vote: 6-0-1 (M. Powers abstained)

Motion: Motion made by R. Hitchery, seconded by T. Buglione to approve the December 5, 2023 special meeting minutes as submitted.
Vote: 6-0-1 (M. Powers abstained)
4. New Business – 2024-2025 Budget
Chief Finkelstein reviewed the proposed budget with the commission members. R. Hitchery asked Chief Finkelstein if he had any comparison to other departments' budgets. Chief Finkelstein will look at comparisons and respond back to board members. No vote was made.

First Selectman Dan Cunningham advised members that he is working with the town attorney to review the ordinance relating to commission members' term length. The concern is the turnover of multiple board members at one time.

5. Lieutenants' Report –

Lt. Macek reported on:

- Vehicle fleet update
- Flanders traffic project
- 2023 Light Parade
- Fly over for Memorial Day Parade

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Lt. Jezierski reported on:

- Lt. Jezierski & Chief Finkelstein are now Accreditation Assessors
 - New hire starting December 20, 2023
 - Accreditation Process
 - Training
6. Chief's Report – Chief reviewed his monthly report, see attached marked Exhibit #1.
 7. Communications – There was none.
 8. Chairman's Report – D. Price had no report, advised board of next meeting date and shares First Selectman's concern regarding large turnover of board members.
 9. Public Comment – There was none.
 10. Commission Response – There was none.
 11. Adjournment
Motion: Motion made by G. D'Angelo, seconded by T. Buglione to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.
Vote: 7-0

Respectfully submitted,



Leanne Santos
Recording Secretary

EAST LYME POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief's Monthly Report – November 2023



Exhibit #1

CONTENTS

Section 1 : Noteworthy incidents/information

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Section 1: Noteworthy Incidents/Information

Exit 74 project is well underway and to this point, communication has been outstanding with the companies involved and State DOT. Blasting has had minimal impact on traffic.

Section 2: Staffing

Debra Levandoski retired October 31st. LeeAnn Santos will become the new Administrative Assistant November 13th

Sergeant/Detective testing and interviews took place

Officer Matthew Willett will be promoted to Sergeant, Officer Mark Wildman (Lateral from Wethersfield PD, and Nadia Banever will be sworn in Monday November 13, 2023

Section 3: Administrative

USE OF FORCE REVIEW

October 0 Reviews (13 for year)

PURSUIT REVIEW

October 0 (5 for year)

TECHNOLOGY REVIEW

Assign and review of monthly Sergeant review of BWC use per policy

Crime Analysis

- 3.71% increase in NIBRS crime YTD 2023 over 2022

Training

Crisis Negotiator- Off Turcotte and Desjardins

LEC Recertification – Officer Turcotte

East Lyme Police Department in the
news

East Lyme police investigate home burglaries

Police say two families
of Southeast Asian
descent had their
homes burglarized last
month.

By Siobhan McGirl • Published
November 20, 2023 • Updated
on November 20, 2023 at 7:07 pm

East Lyme police promote one, swear in two new officers

November 13, 2023 5:02 pm • Last
Updated: November 13, 2023 5:22 pm

Man accused of stealing more than \$4,300 worth of cold medications from East Lyme pharmacies

By Rob Polansky

Published: Nov. 20, 2023 at 10:29 AM EST

Newest police recruit is at home in East Lyme

Nadia Banever poses for a portrait at the East Lyme Public Safety Building on Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2023. She is the first Black female police officer on the force and has lived in the community and worked in the local school system. (Sarah Gordon/The Day)
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Section 4: Statistical Activity Summary

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE- ELPD Dispatch

Calls for Service	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2023	1280	1160	1229	1241	1432	1405	1563	1500	1347	1372	1271		14,800

Note: Includes miscellaneous calls that may not be listed under the call analysis section

CALLS FOR SERVICE—DETAILED

Calls for Service - Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
911 Abandon/Hang Up	107	84	67	91	141	154	158	78	61	49	38		1,028
Alarms	36	51	35	51	36	38	47	23	39	56	52		464
Animal Incident	14	15	16	19	28	28	22	25	25	23	13		228
Assist Citizen/Complaint	94	82	90	100	132	160	149	131	113	127	115		1,293
Assist Other Agency	25	21	18	28	50	21	20	29	24	23	21		280
Disabled MV	11	13	16	11	16	11	19	20	17	16	18		168
Disturbance	14	9	15	15	21	35	20	21	12	18	12		192
Erratic Operation	8	7	11	16	15	11	11	10	18	10	12		129
Larceny	12	13	12	9	11	7	10	11	13	7	12		127
Lockouts	9	10	5	3	10	5	2	8	6	5	10		62
MV Accidents	17	11	16	9	36	21	15	18	22	19			187
MV Stops	138	111	149	108	98	88	156	157	139	143	160		1,347
Parking Complaints	6	8	6	3	9	10	16	15	9	15	5		102
Patrol/Bank /Building Checks	209	155	206	202	197	188	211	238	145	147	112		2,010
Psych/Suicidal calls	4	2	5	4	3	5	6	3	4	5	6		47
Suspicious Pers/Veh/Incident	24	15	16	33	28	19	13	30	20	20	21		239
Untimely Death	2	1	1	1	2	2	0	2	3	0	1		15
Well Being Check	26	20	19	23	23	32	36	30	19	19	25		272
Vandalism	1	2	6	2	1	3	5	2	1	4	1		28

Selected areas of CFS only

MOTOR VEHICLE ACTIVITY

MV Accidents	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2023	20	11	16	9	36	21	15	18	22	19			187

MV Stops	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2023	138	111	149	108	98	88	156	157	139	143	160		1,347

East Lyme Police Department Monthly Report

Criminal Arrests by Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
All other offenses	10	9	9	6	15	28	15	16	12	9	10		140
Assault	2	1	3	2	4	1	0	0	0	1	0		14
DUI	8	4	3	1	4	3	6	2	12	3	7		53
Failure to Appear	3	2	1	10	17	3	1	5	2	2	5		51
Larceny	2	2	2	1	1	3	5	2	1	3	6		28
Narcotics	1	6	2	4	4	3	0	5	3	2	2		32
Robbery	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		5
Totals 2023	28	24	18	27	45	41	27	30	26	20	30		316
Totals 2022	20	16	26	24	31	25	23	44	22	21	44		296