

Town of Long Beach
Police Commission Meetings
Minutes

February 5, 2014

Present: Bob Schaefer, Bob Angelo, Chief Sulkowski, Val Sliwa

Chief Sulkowski informed the Commission that Officer Speakman failed to pass the physical requirements for attending the Police Academy which is a requirement to serve as a full time officer. Officer Speakman is still in his one year probationary period, which would end on April 24th. Since he did not qualify, he will need to be replaced sometime before April 24th. The Chief requested from the Commission permission to hold an executive meeting to conduct interviews for the officer position and the Commission unanimously approved moving forward with interviews. The Commission scheduled an executive meeting for February 7, 2014 to conduct the interviews.

The Commission discussed an upcoming request from a triathlon committee to use Lake Shore Drive as part of the race. The Chief indicated that the race shuts down Lake Shore Drive on that race day for up to two and a half hours. He receives complaints from residents who can't get to or out of their homes during this time. In addition, the race does cost about \$500 for the use of part time officers. During a past race, one officer was hit by a car. The question becomes whether the Town should approve the race along Lake Shore Drive. This race is a For Profit event, so no charity is involved. The Commission had mixed comments and will look toward the Town Council for a decision.

The Chief informed the Commission that the long awaited fiber optic line has been installed. There is more equipment that the provider, Ads Net, has to install.

The Commission discussed the replacement of the department's 2007 Ford Crown Victoria. Replacement is due in 2014. The Chief will begin looking for prices.

There was a discussion over responsibility of maintenance of the Town Hall building. Historically the Chief has basically "watched over" the building and is still willing to do that. He would like to have a budget and be able to make decisions, working with the Street Department.

February 7, 2014: 3:00PM

Present: Bob Schaefer, Bob Angelo, Chief Sulkowski, Val Sliwa

The Police Commission held an executive session to conduct interviews for the police officer position in the department. There were two candidates who were interviewed.

February 7, 2014: 4:00PM

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The Commission held an open meeting and made a unanimous decision on one of the two candidates for the officer position and will present their recommendation of that candidate to the Town Council on February 10th. Officer Speakman's last day will be February 28, 2014. If approved by the Town Council, the new officer will begin duties on March 1, 2014 at the base rate of pay for new officers.