

Town of Canterbury  
Selectmen's Meeting  
January 11, 2016

Selectmen Present: Bob Steenson  
Cheryl Gordon  
George Glines

Town Administrator: Ken Folsom

The meeting was called to order at 12:56 PM.

The Selectmen signed the AP Manifest

The Board met with representatives of the Merrimack County Sheriff's Department, Sheriff Scott Hilliard, Major Bob Krieger and Capt. Todd Corey. Sheriff Hilliard introduced the board to Capt. Corey who will be assigned to conduct the requested review of the Canterbury Police Department.

Bob stated that the review is the next logical step for the town in light of the recent issues brought forward by residents. He hopes that the report can be completed before the Town Meeting in March.

The Board has read the report that was done for the town of New London and Bob asked that the format for Canterbury include an executive summary that is placed directly after the introduction.

The Sheriff met with Sgt. Beaulieu to discuss the PD last week. Ernie has been in contact with Belmont PD Chief Lewindowski for guidance in operations when needed. The Sheriff feels that this is a good idea and applauds Ernie for seeking guidance.

The Sheriff worked with Major Kreiger and Capt. Corey to develop a plan for the review of the Canterbury PD. One issue that will be addressed is a complete inventory of the evidence room. The Sheriff's department will send their evidence technician to assist. The Captain and Sgt. Beaulieu will be available for input from town residents. The Captain will be given a phone line and voice mail account at Canterbury PD.

Personnel files will be made available to the Captain during the review. Any personnel issues that need to be discussed with the Board will be done in executive session.

Captain Corey's goal is that when he is comfortable with information gathering he will issue the report.

Resident Joe Halla asked if the public will be able to contact the Captain. Bob replied that as soon as a phone number and voicemail are set up it will be advertised on the Town website. Captain Corey stated that he is open to comments from the public.

Resident Ray Wible feels that the minutes from the Dec. 7 meeting don't have the full content of the meeting. He is concerned that the Sheriff's Department will not get the true feeling of

the meeting. Bob replied that the meetings are not digitally recorded. Minutes are taken and then approved by the Board.

Resident Kay Cushman would like to have another public meeting with the Sheriff's Department.

The public was asked to leave in order for a non-public session to be held.

1:27 PM Bob made a motion to enter into non-public meeting. George seconded the motion, all in favor by roll call.

2:45 PM George made a motion to close the non-public meeting. Bob seconded the motion, all in favor by roll call.

2:46 PM Bob made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Cheryl seconded the motion, all in favor by roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Folsom  
Town Administrator