

MINUTES
ST. ALBANS JOINT POLICE BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
ST. ALBANS CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT, 142 SOUTH MAIN STREET
7:00 PM TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2023

In attendance: Timothy Hawkins (City of St. Albans City Council), Sarah Macy (City of St. Albans Director of Finance and Administration), Dominic Cloud (City of St. Albans Manager), Bob Farrar (City of St. Albans City Council), Michael Foerster (resident), Jack Brigham (Town of St. Albans Selectboard), Bryan DesLauriers (Town of St. Albans Selectboard), Sean Atkins (Town of St. Albans Manager), Trudy Cioffi (City of St. Albans City Council), Paul Talley (City of St. Albans Police Lieutenant), Josh Ellerbrock, James Norton (resident), and Katie Haseltine (minute taker)

Absent: Maurice Lamothe (City of St. Albans Police Chief)

- 1. T. Hawkins calls the meeting to order at 7:00 PM**
- 2. Public Comment on non-agenda matters**
 - None
- 3. Updated budget presentation, S. Macy**
 - One change from the last meeting. Line 33, Dispatch charges for services, has been updated to reflect the 5% increase and two new contracts.
 - T. Hawkins asks who the potential new contracts are. D. Cloud shares that it is Swanton PD and Missisquoi Valley Rescue
 - S. Macy shares differences in governmental accounting methods that result in different revenue figures being reported on the government wide statement of activities than those in the budget document. The financial statement revenue line in question includes police, dispatch, fire, and restorative justice center revenues.
 - B. DesLauriers asks about fees for parking tickets and other related fines and if those are an estimate. S. Macy shares that those are estimated numbers and not exact to what may happen. S. Macy shares that the Town of St. Albans will receive a quarterly bill based on the budget from the City.
 - J. Brigham asks if there is any grants or government funding that can be applied for jointly to work on dispatch or potential other projects. D. Cloud shares that the city currently goes after a lot of funding and there may be opportunity for others.
 - T. Cioffi asks about the Restorative Justice Center and if the town benefits from it. D. Cloud shares that all of Franklin County benefits from their services. T. Cioffi wonders if together the City and Town can advocate for more funding. D. Cloud believes that is unlikely since it is an underfunded program that is already meant to address all residents of Franklin County.
- 4. Consider a motion to adopt the police/dispatch budget (D&V).**
 - B. DesLauriers motions to approve and adopt the police/dispatch budget (including the Street Crimes Unit). J. Brigham seconds. No discussion. Motion passes with all in favor.
- 5. October and November Minutes (D&V)**

- A. DesLauriers motions to approve minutes with edits mentioned. J. Brigham seconds. Motion passes with all in favor.
- 6. Adjourn. T. Cioffi motions to adjourn, J. Brigham seconds. Motion passes with all in favor. T. Hawkins adjourns the meeting at 7:13 pm.

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