

Waterbury Police Study Committee Meeting Minutes
August 30, 2017
6:30pm

Location: Waterbury Municipal Offices Steele Room

Attendees: Mark Metayer, Michelle Baker, Melissa Moore, Paul O’Kane, Gary Dillon, Missy Gorham, Left Sayah, Harry Shepard, Alec Tuscany, Robert Prall (public), Tom Stevens (State Rep), Alyssa Johnson (RW, WADC)

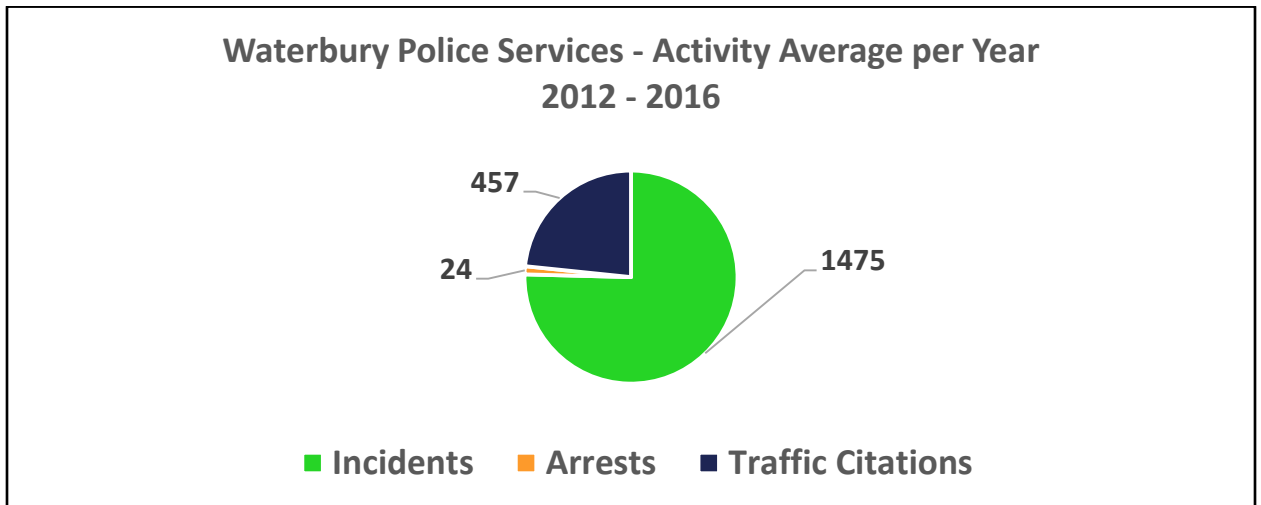
Approval of August 17, 2017 Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve (Gary), second (Melissa M.)

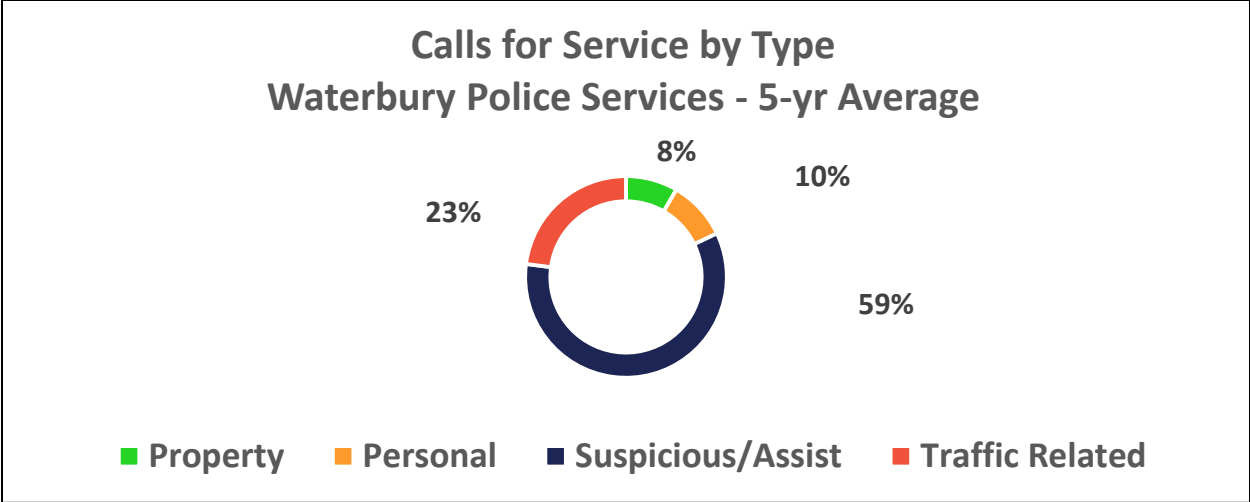
Research Discussion & Update:

a) Study of police services, 5 year block, includes town and village stats (Marc M.)

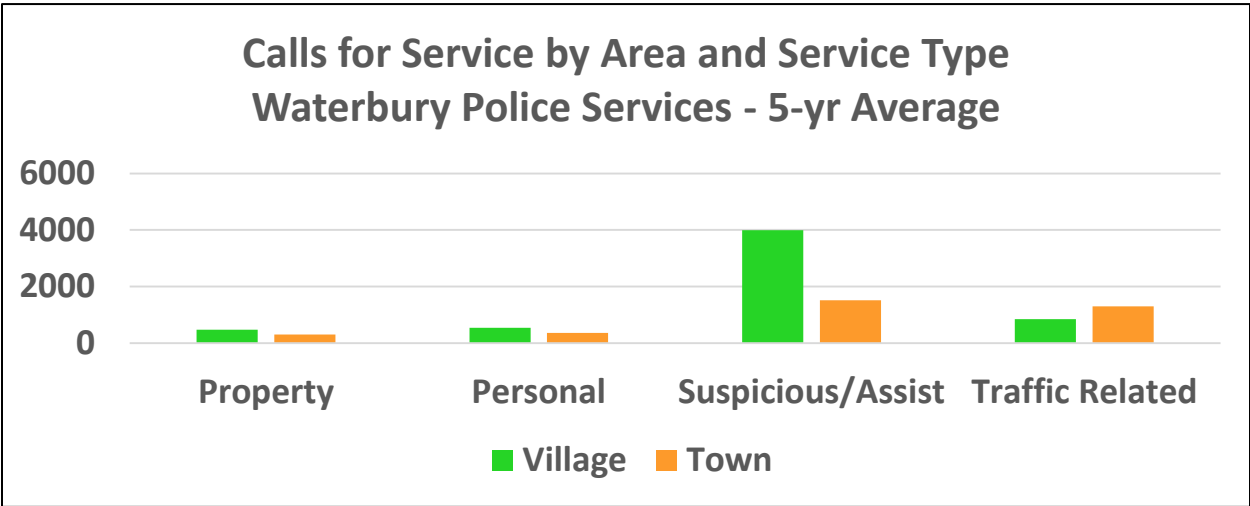
- Waterbury town wide
 - **ACTIVITY AVERAGE PER YEAR**



- **CALLS FOR SERVICE BY TYPE**
 - Traffic related 23% (may include interstate but not significant)



- **CALLS FOR SERVICE BY AREA AND SERVICE TYPE**



- **POLICE DEPARTMENT CAMPARISONS**

TOWN	POPULATION	SQ MILES (town and village)	DEPT TYPE	# OFFICERS FULL TIME	BUDGET	GRAND LIST
BERLIN	2887	36.9	TOWN	8	\$998,000+	\$4,981,445
BRISTOL Police District	3894	42.2	VILLAGE	3	\$463,000	\$2,900,170 \$1,160,444
HARDWICK* GREENSBORO	3780*	78.4*	TOWN	7	\$900,000+	\$1,819,280* \$2,477,560
HINESBURG	4396	39.85	TOWN	5	\$518,000	\$5,291,854
MORRISTOWN	5227	51.6	TOWN	10	\$1,200,000	\$5,983,770
NORTHFIELD	6207	44.82	TOWN	6	\$755,000	\$2,687,899
RICHMOND	4090	32.75	TOWN	?? (Chief + 4)	\$601,565	\$4,477,496
WATERBURY	5064	50.38	VILLAGE	2	\$325,000	\$7,317,568

b) Discussion of funding sources

- Harry Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT), possible funding, needs more research
- Local Option Tax (LOT) option- Missy and Alyssa cautioned group to dive deeper in to researching the viability of this option and potential implications
- More research needs to be done for the next meeting on 9/12/17

c) Police Services- A visual matrix is being created to compare options

- VSP coverage – exclusively
- VSP coverage with contracted supplemental patrols by VSP or Sheriff's Department (10 hours per week)
- VSP contracted primary coverage (80 hrs per week)
- Reinstate 2-person department with town-wide jurisdiction and VSP supplementation
- Establish town-wide community police service scaled to estimated workload and service demand

d) Public Survey

- Missy presented the work conducted with Paul and Mark.
- The survey outline is being passed to the committee for feedback and finalization at the next meeting on the 12th.

Marc reminded everyone that WTBY village PD coverage ends 12/31/17

~Respectfully submitted on 9/05/17 by : Missy Gorham

Next meeting September 12th at 6:30pm Municipal Building, Steele Community Room