

Minutes of the Public Health and Safety Committee of the Darien RTM
January 20th, 2016 7:30 pm

Purpose of the meeting: Discuss and vote on Resolution 16-1, Authorizing Acceptance Of A Gift To The Town Of Darien For Up To \$65,000 From The Darien Foundation For Technology and Community. The foundation wishes to donate electronic equipment for the new Police boat.

In attendance: Jack Whitehead, Brian Rayhill, Gary Swenson, Kate Haueisen, Mac Patrick, Colin Kelly, Laura Mosher and Nina Miller. Missing: John Dweck, Cassandra Hegarty, Bill Peters.

Mac Patrick called the meeting to order at 7:34. Mac motioned for approval of the minutes of the October 26th, 2015 meeting of the RTM PH&S Committee. All approved.

Mac Patrick introduced Officer Derek Mulcahy of the Darien Police Department and self appointed officer in charge of learning about the new technology of the new police boat who was there to answer questions pertaining to the new electronics on said boat.

The new aluminum boat, manufactured in Seattle by Safe Boat International, will likely last 20 years. The Stratford Fire Department, Stonington Police Department, the New Haven Coast Guard, the US Coast Guard and Fairfield Police Department are some of the companies using this type of boat and it is fitting that these boats have the most effective technology including, but not limited to:

- A GPS Plotter on a 12 inch screen with an additional 9 inch screen on the other side of the boat which can show radar, sonar and weather .
- A night vision sonar attached to the rear bottom of the boat that can see down to 600' which helps in more efficient and quicker search and rescue efforts.
- Radar on top of the boat.
- A Sirius XM weather receiver.
- MDT or Mobile Data Terminal.
- A rear deck camera.
- FLIR or Forward Looking InfraRed night vision gyro stabilizer which is the most expensive component of the electronics.
- The electronics come from L&L Electronics in Branford, CT. Although the boat should last 20 years, the generator and AC may need yearly maintenance as well as technology upgrades in ten years.
- Officer Mulcahy suggests that three officers should be on the boat at night, one driver and two working.
- Officer Mulcahy excused himself at 7:58 and Nina moved to approve Resolution 16-1 and all approved.
- Mac moved to cancel the RTM PH&S meeting scheduled for January 25th. All approved.

Mac adjourned the meeting at 8:10

Respectfully Submitted

Nina Miller