

**Public Safety Committee (DOC/Garner) Minutes  
Regular Meeting – Sept. 4, 2018 at 5:00 pm  
Newtown Municipal Center (Meeting Room #1)  
3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT**

**Members Present:** First Selectman Daniel C. Rosenthal, Warden Anthony Corcella, Deputy Warden of Operations Dave Egan, Chief James Viadero, Neil Chaudhary, Bruce Clark, Jay Mattegat, Joy Previdi, Stephen Sedensky

**ABSENT:** Gino Faiella, Patrick Reilly

First Selectman Rosenthal called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

**Public Participation:** none.

**Minutes:** Mr. Chaudhary moved to accept the minutes of June 5, 2018. Ms. Previdi seconded.  
All were in favor.

Deputy Warden Egan was introduced and gave a brief bio which includes nineteen years with the department at Somers, Cheshire and Garner raising from correctional officer to Lieutenant, Captain and Deputy Warden of Operations. Deputy Warden Egan oversees three shifts of correctional officers, Lieutenants and Captains.

**Warden's Report:** The current population at the Garner Correctional Facility is 549 which includes 123 un-sentenced and 426 sentenced. The level breakdown in level 4 is 80%, level 3 is at 15%, level 2 is at 4% and level 1 is at less than 1%. The general population of offenders is 261; mental health is at 288. There are currently 3 level 5, and they are mental health inmates. They receive treatment and medications and are returned to Northern. These inmates are secured in an in-patient medical unit.

Supervisor rank staffing is full. Correctional officer staffing levels are at 85%. Deputy Warden Jones has moved on to Director of the training academy. There are continual retirements department wide; there is no hiring freeze. There is a class in the academy now and there will be another in October.

Warden Corcella spoke about RREC (Risk Reduction Earned Credit) saying it gives the offenders incentive to comply with their offender accountability plan and to comply with facility rules and regulations. This is all determined on the inmate level.

**NEW BUSINESS:** none.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** none.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Having no further business the committee voted unanimously to adjourn their special meeting 5:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Susan Marcinek, clerk*

