

Public Safety Committee (DOC/Garner) Minutes
Regular Meeting – June 2, 2015 at 5:00 pm
Newtown Municipal Center (Meeting Room #1)
3 Primose Street, Newtown, CT

Members Present: First Selectman Llodra, Chief of Police Michael Kehoe, Joy Previdi, Warden Henry Falcone, Garner Correctional Facility, Jay Mattegat, Nunnawauk Meadows and Neil Chaudhary, Legislative Council.

ABSENT: Rob Manna, Gino Faiella.

ALSO PRESENT: Bruce Clark, Stephen Sedensky and one member of the press.

First Selectman Llodra called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

Public Participation: none.

Minutes: Chief Kehoe moved the minutes of December 2, 2014. First Selectman Llodra seconded. All were in favor. Mr. Chaudhary abstained as he was not a committee member at the time.

Warden's Report: The current population at the Garner Correctional Facility is (534), general population (193) which include (276) mental health inmate, (14) youth inmates and the total population unsentenced is (51). There were three inmate deaths, by natural causes, over the winter. The inmate population is getting older. Garner is losing the culinary arts teacher.

The Commissioner opened a reintegration unit. Level 2 or Level 1 inmates will be moved to a pre-release unit facility to get jobs and be reintegrated into society.

Garner is a level 4 facility; however there are approximately ten level 5 inmates, who are mental health administration segregation (AS). Level 5 inmates go down to level 4 when they are off the AS status; they are typically a level 5 for three months. Osborne and McDougal also have mental health units.

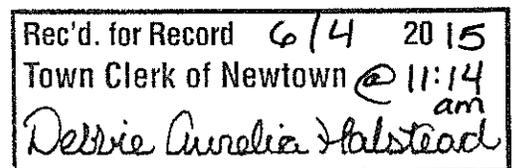
There is no longer an inmate overflow in the gym.

Two retirement announcements were made today. Eleven officers will be received after June 8 graduation; 12 officers were received last round, four more will be received next round. Staffing is coming up throughout the state.

The Commissioner wants to reduce the inmate population, to reintegrate inmates into society. The population at Garner is going down.

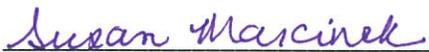
OLD BUSINESS: none.

NEW BUSINESS: none.



ANNOUNCEMENTS: First Selectman Llodra noted she will be attending the theatrical performance on June 9. She has been before and said it was spectacular. Chief Kehoe thanked Warden Falcone for the advance notice when there are high profile transports through town so he can alert his staff.

ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business the committee voted unanimously to adjourn their regular meeting at 5:23 pm



Susan Marcinek
Clerk Pro Tem