

Monday, January 27, 2025

## Town of Greenwood Police Accountability Committee

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Meeting called to order by Chief Walton @ 1p

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Introductions
  1. Police Chief & Officers
    1. POST Director, Sean Moriarty, Chief David Walton, Lt. Billy Thomas, and Cpl. Brooke Tucker
  2. Committee members
    1. Larry Smith, Durene Jones, Ellen Patterson, Dale Patterson, and Kelli Nuwer
    2. Public attendees: Town Manager, Janet Todd, and Police Administrator, Kevin Eichman.
3. Communications & Presentations
  1. POST = Police Officer and Training Commission
    1. Website: <https://post.delaware.gov>
    2. Established standards for Police forces in Delaware
    3. Mission: "The mission of the Delaware Police Officer Standards and Training Commission (POST) is to enhance public trust and confidences in law enforcement by establishing and maintaining professional training, accountability, and certification for Delaware Police Officers."
    4. Responsible for creating the structure for equal qualifications for Delaware Police Officers
    5. Authority to certify and decertify officers & departments
    6. 8 public meetings a year - 4 POST meetings and 4 DPAC meetings
      1. Next meeting February 11, 2025, 2p at the Homeland Security building (across from the Blue Hen Mall in Dover, DE). This is a public, in-person meeting.
    7. All Delaware Police Departments must be accredited through the National or Delaware process by 2028
      1. Previously accreditation was good for 3 years
      2. New program will be yearly accreditation
      3. Currently 50% of DE Police departments are accredited
  2. PAC = Police Accountability Committee
    1. Established by HB 205
    2. Establishes a forum and partnership with community and Chief
      1. Community member diversity requirements
      2. Helps provide community education and insight into Police workings
        1. All committee members must complete 20 hours of training
        2. Seaford has a simulator
        3. Empathy and understanding into Police situations
        4. Help clean up policies and procedures
      3. Option of creating a PAC for each department, or can partner with other departments
        1. More people and perspectives
        2. Similar crime issues
        3. More resources to meet POST requirements

4. Chief is responsible for setting up training opportunities, as well as tracking training hours.
5. Goal is for Cpl. Tucker to schedule Community Police Academy
  1. Overview of Police Academy training
  2. Does include trip Seaford simulator
  3. Ride alongs
  4. Learning Police day-to-day activities
6. Minimum 4 PAC meetings per year

4. Public Comment
5. Adjournment
  1. Motion to adjourn @ 2:09p made by Durene Jones, second Kelli Nuwer - carried unanimously