

1 **TOWN OF EASTON, MARYLAND**
2 **Police Board Meeting**

3
4 November 3, 2008

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6 **PRESENT AT CONVENING**

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8 President of Council John F. Ford
9 Councilmember Leonard E. Wendowski, Jr.
10 Councilmember Maureen Scott-Taylor

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12 **IN ATTENDANCE**

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14 Also in attendance were the Town Manager Mr. Karge, Chief Blue, Town Clerk Mrs. Ruf and members
15 of the Easton Police Department.

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17 **CONVENING**

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19 At 6:26 p.m., the President of the Council called the meeting to order.

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21 **MEETING**

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23 Chief Blue discussed personnel issues and the necessity for patrol to work in 12 hour shifts. He discussed
24 PCO Retention and their concern with the pension change from defined benefit to defined contribution.
25 Chief Blue stated that there are three recruits scheduled to graduate in December. He stated that they have
26 three out of six officers returning from light duty which should allow an officer to return to Special
27 Operations Division.

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29 Chief Blue stated that the K-9 vehicle is going out of service due to it being intentionally rammed by an
30 individual who was taken into custody.

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32 Chief Blue updated on the Easton Police Department expansion project and the groundbreaking ceremony
33 which took place October 23.

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35 Chief Blue advised that the Waterfowl plans are set and plans are basically the same as last year.

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37 All was quiet on Halloween and the Department has plans to do frequent patrol checks on Election Day.

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39 (Mr. Jensen arrived at 6:36 p.m.).

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41 Members of the Easton Police Department that are also members of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge
42 18 were present.

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44 Sgt. George Paugh discussed pay issues and starting salaries and stated that Easton Police Department is
45 behind other agencies and is not able to hire/retain superlative applicants.

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47 Sgt. Paugh stated that most of the members are concerned most with the lack of medical retirement.

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49 Sgt. Dave Sears addressed the Council regarding the pay scale.

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51 John Keyser, former employee of Easton Police Department discussed disability issues.

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53 Sgt. Fred Jarrell, employee for 26.5 years discussed his freeze on the pay scale.

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55 **ADJOURNMENT**

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57 The President of the Council adjourned the Police Board meeting at 7:11 p.m.

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Kathy M. Ruf, Town Clerk