

**Ad Hoc Committee on Police Services  
Thursday, October 8, 2015  
Council Chambers, Beck Municipal Building**

**Minutes**

Members Present: Elizabeth Paterson, Toni Moran, Steve Kegler

Other Council Members Present: Alex Marcellino

Staff Present: Matt Hart, Maria Capriola

**Call to Order**

Mayor Paterson called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

**Approval of 9/10/15 Minutes**

Moran made a motion, seconded by Kegler, to approve the minutes of 9/10/15 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion of Police Services**

The following guests were in attendance: John Elsesser, Town of Coventry Town Manager; Chief Mark Palmer, Town of Coventry Police Department; Steve Werbner, Town of Tolland Town Manager.

Various topics were discussed such as:

- Benefits to a local, municipal police department
- Services the Coventry Police Department provides to its residents
- Services the Resident Trooper Program provides to Tolland residents
- The MORE Commission's review of regional service opportunities. Both Mr. Elsesser and Mr. Werbner are members of the Committee.

Mr. Werbner will make a request to the MORE Commission seeking funding from the state for a study evaluating the feasibility of a regional police force. The Committee through consensus concurred with this.

**Next Steps**

The Committee will meet again on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Committee plans to submit a report of its work and make a recommendation to the Town Council at their October 26, 2015 meeting.

**Adjournment**

Meeting at 6:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Maria E. Capriola, Assistant Town Manager  
Town of Mansfield