



Sound Oversight Committee Meeting Notes

December 20, 2016

Members present: Paul Fagone, Lt. Kevin Cashman, Jack Murray, Robert Waitkevitch

Minutes recorded by Tiffany Bates, Executive Assistant to the Chief of Police. The meeting began at 5:00pm

1. Minutes from the 11.15.16 meeting were accepted noting that Jon Dow was a promoter representative for Waterfront Concerts and not a promoter.
2. Lt. Cashman provided an overview of calls for service in the month of November. The majority of complaints were for loud music in residential settings.
3. Public Comment:
 - a. Jon Dow, the promoter rep from Waterfront Concerts mentioned fixed point monitoring systems as an option for Portland to measure sound levels in real time similar to the City of Bangor where weatherproof microphones in pelican cases are strategically placed in the city to monitor noise levels and provide a comparison for ambient noise. This item is before the Portland City Council in February. Jon indicated a willingness to pay for a portion of this and assumed some area hotels would be interested as well.
 - b. A short conversation was had surrounding one councilwoman's concern about waterfront concerts but the group noted that she voted in favor of the measure.
 - c. Jon proposed the City consider registering noise complaints via the City's See-Click-Fix program. Casey Gilbert, Executive Director of Portland Downtown, explained that information wouldn't make it to Officers on duty to allow them to respond and mediate a complaint as its happening and measure noise levels closer to the actual time of the event/complaint.

With no further business to attend to, the meeting adjourned at 5.28pm