

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2017 7:00 P.M.  
STAFF CONFERENCE ROOM, POLICE HEADQUARTERS**

Vice Chrmn. Bergami called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

**1. ROLL CALL**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Sam Bergami, Carol Faruolo, Alberta Jagoe, Sharon Marrone, David Rubenstein

COMMISSIONERS NOT PRESENT: Richard Smith, Jerold Wanosky

ALSO PRESENT: Police Chief Mello; Deputy Chief Rahn, Ald. Vetro, D. Candido, Secty.

A quorum was present to conduct the business of the meeting.

**2. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS – none**

**3. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

- B. Carissimi – 64 Kirkside Ave. – was pleased and honored to have the opportunity to be a part of the “Minute with the Mayor” video recently
- J. Carissimi – 64 Kirkside Ave. – members of the Citizens Police Academy are hoping to be instrumental and of assistance with moving into the new police facility.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

It was moved by Comm. Rubenstein and seconded by Comm. Faruolo to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2017 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**5. READING OF CORRESPONDENCE**

- Chief Michael Lombardo, Trumbull, CT – took the opportunity to thank Officer Degnan and his K-9 Diesel for their assistance in apprehending several individuals who had broken into a vehicle in Trumbull twice in a 3 week period.
- Capt. Tainsh, Warwick, RI – thanked Officer Warwick for his help as that department investigated voyeurism video complaint. Officer Warwick saw a picture of the suspect as posted on Facebook and contacted the Warwick Police Dept. with the suspect data information.
- Thank you card from the mother of the child who was rescued from Mondo Pond a few weeks ago.

Chief Mello added the mom also brought in cookies for the department in appreciation of their life saving efforts. He explained that with the combined dispatch now in place, both the Police and Fire Depts. receive the 911 call simultaneously ensuring both departments will arrive at the scene in such an emergency. He added this dispatch system was a great investment for the city.

**6. CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF CHIEF ON MATTERS OF ADMINISTRATION**

- a. Informational - Police Sick & Relief fund year-end report for 2016

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b. \$20 donation from car seat inspection – Chief Mello reported a \$20 donation was received from Stephen Wing for a recent car seat inspection and Chief Mello recommended the donation be placed in the DARE account. It was moved by Comm. Jagoe and seconded by Comm. Faruolo to place the \$20 donation from a car seat inspection in the DARE account as recommended by Chief Mello. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Informational - Accident free mileage awards (8 hours compensatory time) to the following Officers: N. Bova, C. Cacchillo, J. DeStefano, J. Eddy, M. Frey, D. Frith, S. Knablin, Z. Milsagle, E. O'Keefe, J. Preto, V. Senatore.

d. Informational: Officer Daniel Bedeker has retired effective 2/10/17. Chief Mello added Officer Bedeker will not only be missed by the Department but also by the downtown merchants where he was assigned bicycle patrol.

e. Chief's General comments – Chief Mello reported on a recent press tour of police headquarters. He also informed the commissioners that the Police Academy will be holding their graduation ceremony in late April and the commissioners will be receiving an invitation to that event.

**7. REPORT ON PLANNING AND ZONING REQUESTS - none**

**8. ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS**

It was moved by Comm. Jagoe and seconded by Comm. Rubenstein to approve the following reports:

- a. Special Investigations Unit Report
- b. Detective Bureau Report
- c. Crime Prevention Unit Report
- d. Traffic Division and Licensing Unit Report

Motion carried unanimously.

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none**

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Request to adjust parking restriction on south side of Naugatuck/Park Ave – It was moved by Comm. Rubenstein and seconded by Comm. Faruolo to approve the Traffic Div. recommendation of the request to adjust parking restriction on south side of Naugatuck/Park Ave.

Comm. Jagoe asked if this adjustment was part of the parking revamping put in place last year.

Chief Mello explained this request was separate from the Walnut Beach parking changes put in place last year.

**11. COMMENDATIONS - none**

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**12. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Consideration of Report of Chief of Police on matters concerning the Appointment, Employment, Performance, Evaluation, Health, or Dismissal of Department Employees.**

It was moved by Comm. Faruolo and seconded by Comm. Jagoe to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. for the following matter:

a. 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter review for 7 Probationary Officers.

Police Commissioners present, Chief Mello and Deputy Chief Rahn remained for executive session.

It was moved by Comm. Jagoe and seconded by Comm. Rubenstein to reconvene in public session at 7:18 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Being no further business, it was moved by Comm. Jagoe and seconded by Comm. Faruolo to adjourn at 7:18 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Recorded by Diane Candido  
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