

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2018 7:00 P.M.
STAFF CONFERENCE ROOM, POLICE HEADQUARTERS**

Chrmn. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

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

COMMISSIONERS NOT PRESENT: Jerold Wanosky

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

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

1a. REORGANIZATION OF BOARD

It was moved by Vice Chair Bergami and seconded by Comm. Rubinstein to nominate Richard Smith as Chair of the Board of Police Commissioners.

No other nominations brought forward.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chair Smith thanked the Board for their confidence and trust in his leadership.

It was moved by Comm. Rubenstein and seconded by Comm. Marrone to nominate Sam Bergami as Vice Chair of the Board of Police Commissioners.

No other nominations brought forward.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS – none

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

- Ald. Vetro congratulated Chair Smith and Vice Chair Bergami for their leadership reappointment and took the opportunity to wish everyone a happy and healthy new year on behalf of the Board of Aldermen.

Chair Smith also congratulated Ald. Vetro for his reappointment as Aldermanic Chair.

- J. Carissimi – 64 Kirkside Ave. – also extended best wishes in the new year to those present.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

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It was moved by Vice Chair Bergami and seconded by Comm. Jagoe to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2017 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. READING OF CORRESPONDENCE

- Deepa Joseph, Dept. of Human Services, Milford – extended appreciation for generosity and participation in the Adopt-A-Family Program. Expressed gratitude for enabling Human Services to provide for clients in need during the holiday season.
- Megan Altomare – Boys & Girls Club – expressed appreciation for donation of toys and gifts from the Department and also going above and beyond in our community.
- Gibbs Wire & Steel, Southington, CT – noted the company was involved recently in two fraudulent cybercrime matters and through that was introduced to Det. Pecoraro of Milford Police Dept. Extended appreciation and commended Det. Pecoraro for his outstanding dedication and noted after a second similar incident they reached out to Det. Pecoraro and again found him responsive and committed. Acknowledged Milford's Cyber Crime Unit.

6. CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF CHIEF ON MATTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

a. Donation to Police Wellness Donation Account \$2,500 – Chief Mello explained Chief Koskinan, Westport Police Dept. invited our department to participate in the making of a video and based on that project they were given a grant from Concept Studios. Chief Mello added Westport Police Dept. donated \$2,500 from that grant to Milford's Wellness Program.

It was moved by Comm. Rubenstein and seconded by Comm. Faruolo to accept the donation of \$2,500 as noted by Chief Mello and place said donation in the Wellness Account. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Car Seat Installation donation – Chief Mello recommended the \$5 donation made based on car seat installation, be place in the DARE account.

It was moved by Comm. Faruolo and seconded by Comm. Marrone to place the \$5 donation from car seat installation in the DARE account as recommended by Chief Mello. Motion carried unanimously.

c.. Safe Driving Miles to Offices Dominic Bailey, Steven Loschiavo and Richard Mahoney – Chief Mello recommended the above noted officers be awarded 8 hours compensatory time for 12,000 accident free miles. No action necessary.

d. Chief's General Comments – Chief Mello reported J & M Auto Body have removed their name from towing list.

7. REPORT ON PLANNING & ZONING REQUESTS

a. Acura of Milford – Proposed Addition – 1501-1503 Boston Post Rd. – It was moved by Comm. Rubinstein and seconded by Vice Chair Bergami to approve Traffic Div. recommendation regarding Acura of Milford – Proposed Addition – 1501-1503 Boston Post Rd. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Proposed Rear Lot Subdivision – 622-626 Gulf St. – Addendum – Lt. Chila explained P & Z denied the original plan because it was designed to use the existing driveway to access

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subdivision at rear of property. Traffic Div. recommends approval when the new site line driveway plans are presented. No action necessary.

8. ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS

It was moved by Vice Chrmn. Bergami and seconded by Comm. Jagoe 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 - none

11. COMMENDATIONS – none

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 Vice Chair Bergami and seconded by Comm. Jagoe to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:17 p.m. for the following matters:

Final Quarterly probationary report for one Officer.

- a. 2nd Quarterly probationary report for 7 Officers.
- b. Grievance #9-2017 at step #3
- c. Consideration of the performance of two (2) Officers

Commissioners Present, Chief Mello and Deputy Chief Rahn remained for Executive Session.

It was moved by Vice Chair Bergami and seconded by Comm. Faruolo to reconvene in public session at 7:42 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Vice Chair Bergami and seconded by Comm. Rubenstein to deny Grievance #9-2017 at Step #3. Motion carried unanimously.

Being no further business, it was moved by Comm. Faruolo and seconded by Comm. Jagoe to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Recorded by Diane Candido
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