

MINUTES
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
MARCH 14, 2016

PRESENT: Thomas Sheridan, Chairman; (arrived at 5:40) Marge Poulios, Vice Chairman; (via teleconference) Mark Gelinias, Secretary; and William Auwood, Commissioner

ABSENT: Daniel Steward, First Selectman

DEPARTMENT: Chief Mahoney, Lt. Burton, Lt. Bellos, and Lt. Silva

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM:

Acting Chairman Gelinias called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the General Meeting Room of the Waterford Police Department. A Quorum was established.

PUBLIC INPUT

No Public Input.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Minutes for Special Meeting of February 9, 2016

MOTION made by Commissioner Auwood and **seconded** by Commissioner Poulios to accept the Special Meeting Minutes of February 9, 2016. **Passed.**

INFORMATIONAL SESSION – CHAPLAIN PROGRAM

Sgt. Dimmock presented Rev Gary Poorman and Rev Chuck Tyree. Rev. Poorman presented a PowerPoint presentation on what the Chaplain Program is and how it can assist Police Departments. Rev. Tyree talked about the training that each Chaplain has to attend to participate in this program. Pastor Joe Parise and Pastor Dave Moynihan were introduced and will be part of the Waterford Chaplain program if passed by the Board.

MOTION: made by Commissioner Auwood, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Poulios to adopt the Chaplain program for the Waterford Police Department. **Passed Unanimously.**

CORRESPONDENCE: Thank you letter from Kimberly Buswell to Officer Maffeo, Captain Kelley regarding Officer Lane, Chief Stewart to Chief Mahoney, Waterford Lions to Officer Yuchniuk, Andrew Campbell to Sgt. Seymour and Officer Avdevich and DiFusco and an e-mail from Doug Getty to Sgt. Reed and Officers Winters, Lapkowski, Bunce and DiFusco

Acting Chairman Gelinias directed the letters to be placed in the appropriate personnel files.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT:

Nothing noted.

TRAFFIC COMMISSION REVIEW & JANUARY TRAFFIC REPORT

Officer O'Connell reviewed the monthly report with the Commission.

Officer O'Connell reviewed the report from CTI Technology Transfer Center regarding 881 Vauxhall Street Extension. After a discussion on their report the Commission voted on the following:

MOTION: made by Commissioner Auwood, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Poulios to approve the relocation of the Old Barry Road sign and to add an Advanced Warning intersection sign for the intersection of Vauxhall Street and Old Barry Road. **Passed Unanimously.**

CHIEF'S REPORT:

- a. **Retirement letter from Les Williams of LEC**
- b. **Letter from Chief Assistant District Attorney John Ryan**
Chief Mahoney discussed the letter and stated that he would continue to pursue this money.
- c. **February K-9 Report**
Lt. Bellos reviewed the report with the Commission.
- d. **February Investigative Report**
Investigator Fedor reviewed the report with the Commission.
- e. **February Youth Officer Report**
Lt. Bellos reviewed the report with the Commission.
- f. **Lt. Burton Training Report**
Lt. Burton reviewed the report with the Commission.
- g. **February Patrol Report**
Lt. Silva reviewed the report with the Commission.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. 881 Vauxhall Street Update
Discussed above

b. Mission Statement

MOTION: made by Commissioner Sheridan, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Poulios to endorse the Waterford Police Department's new Mission Statement. **Passed Unanimously.**

“To protect and serve the public, prevent crime and to provide professional law enforcement services to our community.”

NEW BUSINESS

a. Social Media Policy

Chief Mahoney reviewed the policy with the Commission. It was noted that this policy has been reviewed by the Town Labor Attorney, the Union Labor Attorney and discussed with the Union.

MOTION: made by Commissioner Sheridan and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Auwood to approve the Social Media Policy as presented. **Passed unanimously.**

b. Election of Chairperson, Vice Chair and Secretary

MOTION: made by Commissioner Sheridan and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Poulios to elect the following Commissioners as officers for the period of April 2016 through October 2016. **Passed Unanimously.**

Chairman	Marge Poulios
Vice Chairman	Mark Gelinas
Secretary	William Auwood

c. Surplus Property

Chief Mahoney discussed the surplus of the Cogent/IAFIS machine with the Commission. He noted because of the sensitivity of the information on this machine it should only go to another law enforcement agency. It was the recommendation of the Commission if the machine hasn't been given to another police agency within a 90 day time period the machine should be destroyed.

MOTION: made by Commissioner Sheridan and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Poulios to surplus the Cogent/IAFIS with the caveat that after 90 days if the machine does not go to another law enforcement agency it should be destroyed. **Passed Unanimously.**

MOTION: made by Commissioner Sheridan and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Poulios to add to the agenda a request to surplus the old Intoxilyzer machine. **Passed Unanimously.**

MOTION: made by Commissioner Sheridan and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Poulios to surplus the Intoxilyzer machine and destroy it. **Passed Unanimously.**

Chief Mahoney discussed with the Commission a COPS Grant that if awarded, would inclusively pay for one possibly two Officers for the period of three years. The fourth year the Town would have to incur all personnel cost for the Officer(s) and then the Town could decide to keep the Officer(s) or let them go. Chief Mahoney noted that a department has to be at full complement to apply for this grant.

MOTION: made by Commissioner Auwood **SECONDED** by Commissioner Gelinis to support the efforts of applying for the COPS Grant. **Passed Unanimously.**

Chief Mahoney discussed the Department's use of Narcan. He noted that L & M Hospital supplied the Department with 30 doses but at some point the Department may have to pay for Narcan.

MOTION: made by Commissioner Gelinis and **seconded** by Commissioner Poulios to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. **Passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Marlena Montgomery
Recording Secretary