

MINUTES
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 11, 2016

PRESENT: Thomas Sheridan, Chairman; Mark Gelinias, Secretary; and William Auwood, Commissioner

ABSENT: Marge Poullos, Vice Chairman and Daniel Steward, First Selectman

DEPARTMENT: Chief Mahoney, Lt. Burton, Lt. Bellos, Lt. Silva, and Officer O'Connell

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM:

Chairman Sheridan 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: Special Meeting Minutes of December 14, 2015

MOTION made by Commissioner Gelinias and **seconded** by Commissioner Auwood to accept the Special Meeting Minutes of December 14, 2015. **Passed.** Commissioner Sheridan abstained.

CORRESPONDENCE: Thank you letter from Mark Juhola of the Connecticut State Police to Chief Mahoney, thank you notes from Ruby Roslund to Officer Munoz, from a grateful youth to Officer Munoz, Emily Rodriguez to Officer Munoz, Daryl Taylor to Officer Winters, Dani Gorman to Chief Mahoney, and Arthur Newman to Officer Firmin.

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

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

Nothing noted.

TRAFFIC COMMISSION REVIEW & OCTOBER TRAFFIC REPORT- OFFICER O'CONNELL:

There were no issues for consideration by the Traffic Commission for the month of December.

Traffic Officer O'Connell reviewed his monthly report with the Commission. He updated the Commission on West Neck @ Route 213 and 881 Vauxhall Street Extension, noting that a UConn contractor had reviewed the area will be sending a report to the Traffic Officer.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

- a. Letter from Chief Mahoney to Superintendent of Schools, Thomas Giard**
Chief Mahoney reviewed with the Commission the School Resource Officers Memorandum of Understanding that was signed by both the Police Department and the Board of Education. He noted that at the end of this year he and Mr. Giard will meet again to discuss possible changes to the MOU.
- b. E-mail from Officer Maffeo to Chief Mahoney regarding his teaching endeavors**
Chief Mahoney stated that he gave Officer Maffeo permission to teach at a local College as long as it did not affect his work schedule at the Police Department.
- c. Letter from Chief Mahoney to Stanley Solinski regarding convex mirror request**
Chief Mahoney stated this was addressed in Traffic Officer O'Connell's report.
- d. Waterford Police Department Goals for 2016**
A discussion ensued regarding the 2016 Goals. Chief Mahoney asked the Commissioners to review the document and provide any feedback the Commissioners deem appropriate.
- e. December K-9 Report**
Lt. Bellos reviewed the report with the Commission.
- f. December Investigative Report**
Lt. Bellos reviewed the report with the Commission.
- g. December Youth Officer Report**
Lt. Bellos reviewed the report with the Commission. He asked the Commission if they had any issues with combining the Investigative Report and the Youth Officers' report. They stated they did not. Next month's report for Investigative Services and Youth Officer will be combined into one report.
- h. December Patrol Report**
Lt. Silva reviewed the report with the Commission.

Lt. Silva reported on the Department's two uses of Narcan. He noted they were very successful.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Sylvester Traylor update
This was discussed under Traffic Officer's report.

- b. Body worn cameras
Chief Mahoney stated the department is watching other departments in Connecticut and how they are dealing with this issue. He noted he feels it is best to use a "wait and see" approach on this issue.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Mahoney gave the Commission some suggested changes to the Waterford Police Department Mission Statement for review.

INFORMATIONAL SESSION – BUILDING TOUR

Chief Mahoney took the Commissioners on a tour of the building.

MOTION: made by Commissioner Gelinas and **seconded** by Commissioner Auwood to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. **Passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Marlena Montgomery
Recording Secretary