

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
33 LAUREL STREET
BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT 06405-3644

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING: January 14, 2019

Commissioners Present:

Commissioner Jill Marcus
Commissioner Richard Goodwin
Commissioner Peter Hugret
Commissioner John Sousoulas
Commissioner Anthony LaSala
Commissioner Valerie Wiel-Wilkins

Also present were: Chief Kevin Halloran and Deputy Chief Mulhern.

The meeting called to order at 5:32 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to approve the minutes from November 19, 2018.
Seconded by Selectman Lasala. Vote unanimous.

Report of the Chief:

Compstat Report – Chief Halloran reported that calls for service are up on the A Squad. Cases of significance included a burglary at Stop and Go convenience store; Calls for service are down on the B Squad. Cases of significance included: Theft from Auto reported by Precision Motor Cars; Fraud/Scam was reported from Totoket Road; Theft from a scholarship fund was reported; Theft from Auto was reported on Montoya Circle, Ferndale Condos and Advanced Overhead Door; Attempted Theft/Vandalism occurred at the Holiday Inn Express; Theft from a manager at Kohl's was reported. Cases of significance for the C Squad included: Theft from Auto at the YMCA; A scooter was stolen from Jefferson Road, the operator was arrested and charged with Larceny and MV related charges; A pocketbook was stolen from behind the counter at the Townhouse Diner, the suspect has been identified and a warrant is pending; Drug related arrests occurred on Bryan Road, West Main Street and at the Days Inn. Cases of significance for the Detective Division include: An Assault with Motor Vehicle on East Main Street and a CODIS hit from a stolen vehicle case, an arrest warrant is pending.

Chief Halloran reviewed a 2018 summary of overall Part I and Quality of Life crimes overall both Part 1 and Quality of Life crimes decreased. Narcotics showed the greatest increase, almost all other offenses decrease with the exception of Auto Theft which remained the same. 2018 totals compared to 5 year averages: Abnormally high offenses included Auto Theft, Drug Overdoses, narcotics and Thefts from Auto. Abnormally low offenses included Burglary, Disputes, Domestic, DUI's, Larceny, Robbery, Shoplifting and Vandalism.

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Forfeiture Report – The Chief reported that the balance is \$181,539.07. Range update – This was already approved by the Commission but, has to be approved by the Board of Selectmen as a sole source provider. Deputy Mulhern provided information concerning the Virtra training system at the Milford Police Academy. This is a regional training program held at the Milford Police Department using virtual technology to provide realistic shooting situations. Deputy Mulhern recommends that this is added to the departments training regimen. The Commission members will go to the Milford Academy with the Chief and Deputy Chief to view the system.

Budget Committee – Rick Goodwin and John Sousoulas volunteered to be serve on the budget committee for the 2019-2010 budget.

Personnel

Officer Carney is on light duty.

Letters – Letter from Dottie Packer, Wreaths Across America thanking the department for support; Letter from Juniper Point Association concerning Officer Abely and the establishment of a scholarship fund known as the Officer John Abely Recognition Scholarship Fund; Letter from Commissioner Lasala concerning Officer Clerkin and Crossing Guard Dillon.

Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to enter into Executive Session at 6:13 p.m.to discuss a personnel matter. Seconded by Commissioner Hugret. Vote unanimous.

Return to regular session at 6:51 p.m. Present in Executive Session were: Commissioners Jill Marcus, Richard Goodwin, Peter Hugret, John Sousoulas, Anthony Lasala, and Valerie Wiel-Wilkins. Also present were: Chief Kevin Halloran and Deputy Chief Mulhern.

For the record no votes were taken while in executive session.

Traffic Committee

Request for “Stop” signs at Brocketts Point and Rustic Roads. This will be referred to the Town Engineer. No action at this time.

Request for “Stop” sign on Harbor St. at intersection with Lanphier. No action at this time.

Request for a “No Parking” sign on the west side of Eades Street. Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to approve the request for the “No Parking” sign between the parking lot exit and the residential driveway. Seconded by Commissioner Marcus. Vote unanimous.

Request for “Stop” signs at the intersection of Limewood and Sybil Avenues. No action at this time.

Request for “No Parking Here to Corner” on Millwood near the intersection with Cypress (southern side of Millwood). Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to approve the request for “No Parking” sign on Millwood near the intersection of Cypress on the south side. Seconded by Commissioner Sousoulas. Vote unanimous.

Request for “Stop” signs along Maple Street. No action at this time.

Request for “Dead End” sign corner of Berger and Altman. Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to install a “No Outlet” sign. Seconded by Commissioner Marcus. Vote unanimous.

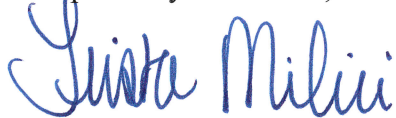
Request for “No Standing” sign on Court Street where it intersects Short Beach Road. Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to install “No Standing” signs on the 3 existing stop signs. Seconded by Commissioner Marcus. Vote unanimous.

Peter Hugret reported that the state provided the results of a traffic study conducted along Route 1 near Clancy’s.

Report of the Chair – No report.

Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Hugret. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,



Trista Milici
Clerk