

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
33 LAUREL STREET
BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT 06405-3644
VIDEO/TELECONFERENCE MEETING
MINUTES OF MEETING: November 9, 2020

Commissioners Present:

Commissioner Richard Goodwin
Commissioner Peter Hugret
Commissioner John Sousoulas
Commissioner Tony Lasala
Commissioner Valerie Wiel-Wilkins

Also present were: Chief Mulhern, Deputy Chief Alves, Phil and Jennifer Sullivan and Jake Greenvall. Commissioner Jill Marcus was absent.

The meeting called to order at 5:39 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Commissioner Hugret to approve the minutes from October 13, 2020.
Seconded by Commissioner Lasala. Vote unanimous.

Report of the Chief:

CompStat Report - Chief Mulhern reported that there were 4 armed robberies in October; There were 4 robberies on October 27 held by the same individual, an arrest was made; Some activity is trending down; He is seeing an uptick in COVID, some officers are out due to quarantine and other out on precautionary measures, waiting on test results; COVID protocols are in place including more follow up by phone instead of face to face interactions.

Letters – A letter was received from UNH thanking Officer Carney and canine Arrow for a presentation and demonstration. A letter was received from the Domestic Violence Services team thanking Lt. Carangelo for support during Domestic Violence Awareness month.

Chief Mulhern also extended appreciation to the crossing guards for their efforts with school openings and their assistance at Parker Memorial Park.

Traffic Committee

Discussion took place concerning possible Traffic Studies in Stony Creek/Thimble Islands Road between the Amtrak bridge and Linden Point Road and in the Town Center/Cedar Street from Main Street to North Main Street. No action. Chief Mulhern will talk to the Town Engineer.

Request for CROSSWALK AHEAD and CROSSWALK signs on School Street in the vicinity of the Watrous Avenue existing crosswalk. The Traffic Committee recommends removing the existing sign from the utility pole and reinstall on its own pole and installing down arrow signs. Motion made by Commissioner Wiel-Wilkins to approve the recommendation. Seconded by Commissioner Sousoulas. Vote unanimous.

Request for lane and parking markings on Rogers Street and a pedestrian bump out/crosswalk at the Elm Street intersection. No action.

Request to change out the existing NO PARKING sign on Lanphiers Cove Road (near Double Beach Road intersection) to “NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER”. The Traffic Committee recommends changing the sign to “NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER” on Lanphiers Cove Road. Motion made by Commissioner Lasala to approve the recommendation. Seconded by Commissioner Wiel-Wilkins. Vote unanimous.

Request for “NO PARKING THIS SIDE” and “NO OUTLET” signs on Buena Vista. The Traffic Committee recommends installing a “NO OUTLET” sign on Buena Vista at the intersection of Thimble Island Road. Motion made by Commissioner Lasala to approve the recommendation. Seconded by Commissioner Wiel-Wilkins. Vote unanimous. The Traffic Committee recommends deferring the Request for “NO PARKING THIS SIDE” sign on Buena Vista until January to request input from the Stony Creek Association.

There is no meeting scheduled for December. The next meeting will be in January.

Motion made by Commissioner Hugret to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Sousoulas. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Trista Milici, Clerk