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

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING: November 12, 2019

Commissioners Present:

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

Also present was: Deputy Chief Alves.

The meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to approve the minutes from October 15, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Hugret. Vote unanimous.

Report of the Chief:

CompStat Report - Deputy Chief Alves presented a report and provided an overview of police activities since the last meeting. He provided details on an assault that occurred on Ivy Street, a motor vehicle theft on Leetes Island Road, a warrant arrest on burglary and larceny charges, and 12 thefts from motor vehicles were reported. The total number of quality of life crimes have decreased this period.

Forfeiture Report - The Deputy Chief reported that the forfeiture account remains the same.

Injury Report – One officer out.

Letters – Citizen sent in a letter concerning Officer Vera commending her for her random act of kindness. A letter of appreciation was received concerning Officers Abely, Manner and O'Connor.

A letter was received from POST stating that the department is in compliance with POST standards.

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Executive Session:

Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to enter into executive session at 5:39 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter. Seconded by Commissioner Hugret. Vote unanimous.

Present in executive session were: Commissioners Jill Marcus, Richard Goodwin, Peter Hugret, Anthony LaSala, John Sousoulas and Valerie Wiel-Wilkins. Also present was Deputy Chief Alves.

Return to regular session at 5:45 p.m. For the record no votes were taken while in executive session.

Request for a "STOP" sign(s) or other appropriate actions near or at the intersection of Brockett Point Lane and Brockett Point Road. This item was carried over from the last meeting. The recommendation from the Town Engineer is to remove the trees that are on town property. The Traffic Committee agrees with the recommendation. Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to have the Town Engineer have the trees tagged that need to come down and notify the homeowner. Seconded by Commissioner Sousoulas. Vote unanimous.

Request for all way "STOP" signs on Cherry Hill Road at the Greenfield intersection. Same requestor looking for additional "STOP" signs on Cherry Hill Road at the intersection of Todds Hill. The Traffic Committee recommends no action.

Request DOT action to improve safety preventing vehicles from hitting bridge where Montowese Street goes under the Amtrak RR bridge. No action.

Request DOT discontinue allowing right turns at the Rt. 139/Rt. 1 intersection (North Branford Road onto East Main Street-Rt. 1). Traffic Committee recommends that the Chief make a request to DOT to review this request and include accident data as appropriate. Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to request the Chief to contact DOT to review the discontinuation of right turns at RT 139/RT 1 intersection and request accident information. Seconded by Commissioner Hugret. Vote unanimous.

Request for a "RIGHT TURN ONLY" sign at the intersection of Chestnut Street with North Main Street (Rt. 1) for northbound Chestnut Street traffic. The recommendation from the Traffic Committee is to refer this to DOT. Commissioner Goodwin to contact DOT for possible remedies. Seconded by Commissioner Sousoulas.

Request for a "HIDDEN DRIVEWAY" sign on South Montowese Street in the vicinity of 112 South Montowese Street. The recommendation from the Traffic Committee is no action.

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Report of the Chair - There is no meeting scheduled for December.

Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Hugret. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Trista Milici

Clerk