

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

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING: May 1, 2019

**Commissioners Present:**

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

Commissioner John Sousoulas was absent.

Also present was: Chief Mulhern and Captain John Alves.

The meeting called to order at 5:40 p.m.

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**Report of the Chief:**

CompStat Report - Chief Mulhern congratulated Chief Halloran as the new Police Chief for the Town of North Branford. He reported that there wasn't any significant activities to report this month. There was a small an increase in larcenies. Two individuals were arrested for a stolen vehicle on East Main Street. There was a 30% decrease in accidents from March to April.

Forfeiture Report – The Chief reported that there were no significant purchases. There was an additional expense of \$1,700 for the range.

Budget – Chief Mulhern presented information for the Transfer Request:

From	Account	Description	To	Account	Description	Amount
	10142010-566100	Office Supplies		10142010-579150	Technology	\$3,114.75
	10142010-517000	Regular Salaries		10142010-518000	Overtime	\$50,000.00
	10142010-544130	Fuel		70042010-579350	Vehicles	\$35,000.00
	10142010-517000	Regular Salary		70042010-579250-19239	Vehicle Equipment	\$22,000.00

The transfers are requested to purchase of three additional computers, to cover all the vacancies for the remainder of the fiscal year and for the purchase of an additional vehicle and necessary equipment. Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to approve the transfer request. Seconded by Commission Marcus. Vote unanimous.

**Personnel:**

Light Duty – The officer returned to full duty as of yesterday.

Letters:

Letter from Jeffrey Branfon thanking Officer Jay Kaufman.

Letter and picture from the Branford Hockey Team thanking the department for our support.

The agenda order was changed to hear the Traffic Committee report prior to entering executive session.

Motion made by Commissioner Hugret to add the minutes from the April meeting for approval.

Seconded by Commissioner Goodwin. Vote unanimous. Commissioner LaSala stated that by concert the minutes are approved.

**Traffic Committee:**

Request for "One Way" signs facing west on Island View Avenue (intersections of Chapel, MacLean Place and Waterside). Also for a "Stop" sign on Maclean at its intersection with Island View Avenue. The committee recommends the installation of the "One Way" signs and the installation of a "Stop" sign. Commissioner Hugret will work with Public Works. Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to approve the recommendation. Seconded by Commissioner Marcus. Vote unanimous.

Request for a "Slow Children at Play" on the corner of Wildwood Drive and Rocky Ledge or some other traffic dampening measure. No action on this request.

Request for a "Keep Left" sign at the corner where Cherry Hill Road intersects Main Street. The Town Engineer recommends painting a fog line. Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to paint the fog line. Seconded by Commissioner Marcus. Vote unanimous.

Request for some type of "Traffic Calming" action on Harbor Street between the new bridge and Lanphier Road. A traffic study will be done. No action on this request at this time.

Request for a DOT analysis along Cedar Street from Rt. 1 to I-95 including signal light timing and suggestions/comments made by State Rep. Robin Comey (102<sup>nd</sup> District). The Chief will request the state DOT conduct an analysis look at the signal timing. Motion made by Commissioner Hugret to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Goodwin. Vote unanimous.

The Commission entered into Executive Session at 6:00 to conduct an interview of a lateral candidate for the position of Police Officer and Discussion of the position of Deputy Chief of Police.

Present in executive session for the lateral candidate interview were:

Commissioners Marcus, Goodwin, Hugret, LaSala and Wiel-Wilkins. Also present were Chief Mulhern, Captain Alves and candidate Brenda Vera.

Present in executive session for the discussion of the position of Deputy Chief of Police were:

Commissioners Marcus, Goodwin, Hugret, LaSala and Wiel-Wilkins. Also present was Chief Mulhern.

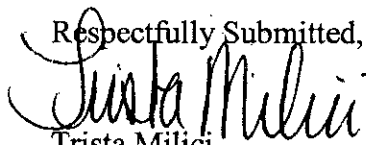
Return to regular meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to hire Brenda Vera as a patrol officer. Seconded by Commissioner Marcus. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Commissioner Goodwin to authorize the Chief to post the position of Deputy Chief internally with the appropriate qualifications. Seconded by Commissioner Hugret. Vote unanimous.

Motion made by Commissioner Marcus to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Goodwin. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,



Trista Milici  
Clerk