

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held at the Southington Police Department in the Community Room on August 13, 2009.

The meeting is called to order by Chairman Verderame at 6:03 p.m.

Commissioners Triano, Bedard, Nevelos and Della Vecchia were present. Chief John Daly was present

The Pledge of Allegiance is led by Commissioner Triano.

MOTION made by Commissioner Bedard to adjourn the Regular meeting and go immediately into executive session, including Chief Daly, Officer Nathan Boislard and his family excluding the press and the public, for the purpose of discussing personnel and contractual issues, seconded by Commissioner Triano. All in favor. Motion passed at 6:05 p.m.

AMENDED MOTION, above motion amended to include Stephen Salerno, President of LEAS.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne D. Palmieri
Recording Secretary

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
Executive Session

August 13, 2009

Chairman Verderame called the Executive Session to order at 6:05 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Triano, Bedard, Nevelos and Della Vecchia
Chief Daly, Officer Nathan Boislard, Boislard family
Members, Stephen Salerno, LEAS President

Personnel and Contractual issues were discussed.

**MOTION made by Commissioner Nevelos
to adjourn the executive session and go back
into regular session. Seconded by Commissioner
Bedard. Motion passed unanimously.**

Executive Session adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne D. Palmieri
Recording Secretary

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting after Executive Session

August 13, 2009

Chairman Verderame called the Regular Meeting after Executive Session to order at 6:25 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Triano, Bedard, Nevelos and Della Vecchia
Chief Daly

Chairman Verderame called for motions to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 9, 2009.

MOTION made by Commissioner Bedard to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 9, 2009, seconded by Commissioner Della Vecchia. All in favor, Motion passed.

Chairman Verderame called for a motion to approve billings presented to the Commissioners for payment.

The summary statement of bills paid was presented to the Commissioners for period July 1, 2009 to August, 2009. The summary statement of bills paid indicated the amounts paid to different vendors as well as a short synopsis delineating the reason for the payment.

MOTION made by Commissioner Triano to approve the summary statement of bills paid for period July 1, 2009 to August, 2009, seconded by Commissioner Della Vecchia. all in favor, Motion passed.

Chairman Verderame requested Chief Daly to give his report to the Commissioners.

Chief's Report –

Chief Daly gives a summary report to Commissioners. Parking, Ride and Walk Update: On Wednesday, August 5, 2009 Sergeant Spratto conducted a supervisory review of the program. He went to the Southington Center area and

spoke with approximately nine merchants all having different types of businesses within the Center of Town.

Most of the people had no complaints or concerns at this time; however, three issues were identified from the merchant perspective. These issues were:

North Main Street parking area at times has vehicles parked over the time limit. It was reported that Wednesday nights were the major problem time. The next reported concern was loud music, occurring sometimes and bothering the renters in the Center Street area. Lastly, youths skate boarding in the front area of the commuter parking lot in Riccio Way. Chief Daly informed Commissioners that patrol units will continue with the program and add random directed patrols designed to address the above concerns. Merchants were also advised to contact the police department when problems are observed. The Merchant and Police partnership is an effective tool in addressing community concerns within the downtown area.

Rails to Trails. Chief Daly reported that directed police patrols are occurring on the trail itself. The Detective Division is currently investigating the reported vandalisms that are occurring on the trail. Directed patrols include bicycle, motorcycle and foot patrols which are being conducted with on duty officers and overtime when needed.

Derynoski School property (lower area), Chief Daly reported that on August 6, 2009 contact was made with the Record Journal with regard to the issues the town is having with juveniles and their behavior while being on the Derynoski School property. This behavior results in vandalism, fighting, drug use, alcohol use, noise and more. The goal of this release was to alert the Southington parents/guardians, public, neighborhood and maybe even the juveniles themselves of the problems that are occurring at this location. Chief Daly continued that the Department has learned that many kids, in some cases 50-75 kids in number, go to this area to meet and that seems to be when the problems occur. Wednesday nights, when the Concert on the Green is occurring, appears to be the worst night. Once the parents/guardians are made aware of this problem, hopefully some type of preventative action will be taken by them. The area has been posted with various signs with no loitering or trespassing as well as other violations.

He continued to state the patrol division, detective division and Narcotic Enforcement Team are making efforts in responding to the problems. It is hoped

that the newspaper article will bring further awareness to this issue and create a partnership between the police and the parents or guardians. This partnership hopefully will mitigate the formal enforcement action needed to address the issue.

Senior Housing Patrols. Chief Daly reported that the patrol division has increased the directed patrols within the senior housing communities. This has been well received by the general population and is an extension of the park, ride and walk program.

Chief Daly cited recent arrest information by stating that on July 10, 2009 George Andino was arrested on an arrest warrant issued through the New Britain Superior Court. He was charged with assault third degree, three counts; threatening, second degree, reckless endangerment, second degree, strangulation, second degree, reckless endangerment, first degree, assault, second degree and sexual assault in spousal or cohabitating relationship. At the time of his arrest, Andino was already within the custody of the Department of Corrections due to prior Southington arrests.

Chief Daly then informed Commissioners that a letter had been sent to Mr. John Foley inviting himself and members of his family to the dedication ceremony in honor of his great grandfather, Timothy Foley. Chief explained that Officer Timothy Foley was the only Southington Police Officer ever killed in the line of duty and the State has agreed, because it is a state road, to name Oakland Road, where Mr. Foley actually lives, Timothy Foley Memorial Highway. Chief Daly informed the Commissioners that there would be a dedication for the sign and the ceremony will take place on September 11, 2009 at 1 p.m. Chief Daly invited any or all of the Commissioners to the September 11th dedication ceremony.

Chief Daly stated that the Awards Ceremony has been scheduled for Thursday, September 24, 2009 at Southington High School auditorium. More information to follow.

Letter from recipient of a tag had been distributed to the Commissioners. Commission members had reviewed the letter prior to the meeting including the recommendation of Lt. Edward Pocock as to the action suggested to be taken concerning the tag. The following action was taken by the Commission:

MOTION made by Commissioner Bedard to accept the recommendation of Lt. Pocock concerning the recently received contested parking tag, seconded by Commissioner Triano, all in favor Motion passed.

A letter will be sent to the individual who had contested their issued tag.

Chief Daly then reported to the Commissioners on the recent activities of the Police Explorer Post 57 by displaying the plaque received by the Explorers at the recent Explorer Police Academy from July 26, 2009 to August 1, 2009 at Eastern Connecticut State University. Chief Daly explained that eleven members attended the Academy this year. The program hosted approximately 400 explorers. Our Post received first place honors for Top Academic Post. The members attending entered in different phases depending on their time in service. The phases are basic, advanced, police department, career development (boot camp) and mountain bike. One of our police explorers was selected as the detective sergeant. He continued the explorers attended classes regarding different aspects of police work, had firearms training, learned defensive tactics and worked in a simulated police department. Chief Daly also shared a picture taken of some of the explorers while doing the above classes.

Chief Daly further spoke of the seven explorers who attended the Northeast Region Law Enforcement Explorers Association Conference on June 29, 2009 to July 2, 2009. He stated seven members attended the conference located at Camp Rell in Niantic, Ct. The explorers attended classes concerning police combat systems, leadership, building searches, hostage negotiation and others conducted by the DEA, FBI and the National Guard. The group also competed in felony stops, domestics, unknown response and related calls. Our Post was awarded third place in the shooting competition, third place in domestic violence response and first place in unknown response.

Lastly, Chief Daly stated that one explorer attended the American Legion/State Police Explorer Academy from July 19 to July 25, 2009 at the Police Academy in Meriden. This Academy is a highly disciplined and intense training that simulates the training received by police and trooper recruits.

Public Communication: There were no public communications.

Old Business: Under old business Chief Daly spoke on the attendance incentive, as he had discussed in the past, and indicated that the line had been reduced and presented to the Commission two options for the disbursement of the current funds available after reduction. A copy of the two options is attached to these minutes and incorporated herein.

MOTION made by Commissioner Triano to accept Option Two, seconded by Commissioner DellaVecchia, all in favor, Motion passed.

No other business to come before the meeting.

MOTION made by Commissioner Triano to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bedard, all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne D. Palmieri
Recording Secretary

Officer	# sick days	old way	new way	other
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