

# **BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

**MINUTES of the Meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held at the Southington Police Department on November 10, 2011.**

**The meeting was called to order by at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Verderame.**

**Commissioners Bedard, Pestillo, Nevelos, and Della Vecchia were present.**

**Chief Daly, Captain Simone, and Captain Palmieri were present.**

**The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Daly.**

**Approval of Minutes. Motion made by Commissioner Bedard to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 13, 2011, seconded by Commissioner Pestillo. All in favor. Motion passes.**

**Bills Submitted for Payment. Chief Daly presented the Commission with the current bills for their review and consideration.**

At this point in the meeting, Chairman Verderame suggested the Public Communications be moved up to the current place on the agenda as a courtesy due to the Executive Sessions of the meeting being lengthy.

## **PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

Art Cyr of 103 Berlin Ave. attended the meeting to thank the entire Department for a job well done during Storm Alfred.


Edward Ozga of 949 South End Rd. attended the meeting to express his dissatisfaction of the handling of an incident by the Police Department which occurred on September 27, 2011 at his home. His request for answers and information regarding such incident was discussed and Chief Daly asked that he put everything in writing and information would be provided if the case is no longer under investigation. Chief Daly has also asked that he call him next week to come in with this written request and they would sit down together to review it.

Sergeants Retirement Letter. Chief Daly read a letter from Sgt. Brad Blatchley announcing his retirement from the Police Department effective November 7, 2011 after serving 27 years on the force.

- a. Action on Sergeants Retirement Letter. Motion made by Commissioner Nevelos to accept, with regrets, Sgt. Blatchley's notification of his retirement, seconded by Commissioner Della Vecchia. All in favor. Motion passes.

Motion made by Commissioner Della Vecchia to adjourn the Regular Meeting and go immediately into Executive Session, including Chief Daly, for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the Sergeant's promotion, seconded by Commissioner Pestillo. All in favor. Motion passes at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carol Hageman".

Carol Hageman

Recording Secretary

Executive Session

Chairman Verderame called the Executive Session to order at 6:15 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Bedard, Pestillo, Nevelos, Della Vecchia, and Chief Daly.

Officer Gallo enters Executive Session at 6:20 p.m./exits at 6:25 p.m.

Officer Bavaro enters Executive Session at 6:25 p.m./exits at 6:30 p.m.

Officer Elliott enters Executive Session at 6:30 p.m./exits at 6:35 p.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Bedard to adjourn the Executive Session and go back into Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Pestillo. All in favor. Motion passes at 6:35

Respectfully Submitted,



Carol Hageman

Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting after Executive Session

Chairman Verderame called the Regular Meeting after Executive Session to order at 6:35 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Bedard, Pestillo, Nevelos, Della Vecchia, and Chief Daly.

Action on promotion of Sergeant vacancy. Motion made by Commissioner Nevelos to promote Officer Elliott to the Sergeant's position effective November 11, 2011, seconded by Commissioner Della Vecchia. All in favor. Motion passes.

Motion made by Commissioner Pestillo to adjourn the Regular Meeting and go immediately back into Executive Session, including Chief Daly, for the purpose of interviewing next in line candidate for the Sergeant's promotion, seconded by Commissioner Bedard. All in favor. Motion passes at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Executive Session II

Chairman Verderame called the Executive Session to order at 6:40 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Bedard, Pestillo, Nevelos, Della Vecchia, and Chief Daly.

Officer Plourde enters Executive Session at 6:40 p.m./exits 6:45 p.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Nevelos to adjourn the Executive Session and go back into Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Della Vecchia. All in favor. Motion passes at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Carol Hageman

Recording Secretary

Regular Meeting after Executive Session II

Chairman Verderame called the Regular Meeting after Executive Session II to order at 6:50 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Bedard, Pestillo, Nevelos, Della Vecchia, and Chief Daly were present.

Action on promotion of Sergeant vacancy. Motion made by Commissioner Bedard to promote Officer Bavaro to the position of Sergeant effective 11-12-2011, seconded by Commissioner Pestillo. All in favor. Motion passes.

Captain Simone and Captain Palmieri entered the meeting.

REPORT TO COMMISSIONERS BY CHIEF DALY

- a. Special Needs Registry Update. Captain Palmieri informed the Commission that the registry is tentatively scheduled to go live on December 14, 2011. The town government will be invited to a showing and explanation of the program at the Police Department on November 22, 2011.
- b. CPCA Nomination. Chief Daly informed the Commission that he has been formerly nominated for the position of President of the

Connecticut Police Chief's Association on November 3, 2011, effective June 2012. Congratulations to the Chief by the Commission.

- c. 2011-2012 Budget Update (Storm Alfred). Chief Daly thanked the Police Department employees and all Departments within the town for a job well done during the storm and in the days that followed. He went on to explain there were 13,463 power outages, 25 welfare checks, 57 roads closed, 251 calls for wires down, 18 disabled motor vehicles, 41 public hazards, and 43 motor vehicle accidents during this time. The cost to the Department for overtime due to the storm days was \$24,133.38.
- d. Monthly Activity Report. Captain Palmieri gave an overview of the activity for the month of October which included, but not limited to, 16 distracted driving violations, 9 seatbelt violations, 8 DUI arrests, and the NIBRS report. Captain Palmieri also included a report on the activity of the investigative division which is in the process of handling 30 open cases at this time.

## COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Pestillo stated that he stopped by the Department during Storm Alfred and commended everyone on doing a great job.

## OLD BUSINESS

- a. Action on bills submitted for payment. Motion made by Commissioner Nevelos to pay the bills as submitted by Chief Daly, seconded by Commissioner Della Vecchia. All in favor. Motion passes.

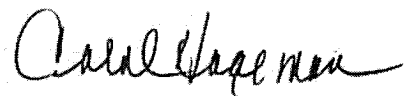
- b. Action on CPCA Nomination. No motion required. The Commission was in agreement of Chief Daly being nominated for President of the CPCA and he will go forth with their full support of the position.

ALL OTHER BUSINESS

None

Motion made by Commissioner Della Vecchia to adjourn the Regular Meeting and go immediately into Executive Session, including Chief Daly, Captain Simone, and Captain Palmieri for the purpose of an employee disciplinary hearing, seconded by Commissioner Nevelos. All in favor. Motion passes at 7:05 p.m.

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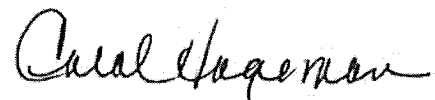
Executive Session III

Chairman Verderame called the Executive Session to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Bedard, Pestillo, Nevelos, Della Vecchia, Chief Daly, Captain Simone, Captain Palmieri, Assistant Animal Control Officer Matthew Rebstad, and Union Representative Officer John Mahon.

Motion made by Commissioner Bedard to adjourn the Executive Session and go back into Regular Session, seconded by Commissioner Della Vecchia. All in favor. Motion passes at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Regular Meeting after Executive Session III

Chairman Verderame called the Regular Meeting after the Executive Session to order at 8:30 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Bedard, Pestillo, Nevelos, Della Vecchia, Chief Daly, Captain Simone, and Captain Palmieri.

Action on Disciplinary Hearing. Motion made by Commissioner Pestillo to terminate Assistant ACO Matthew Rebstad effective November 18, 2011, seconded by Commissioner Della Vecchia. All in favor. Motion passes.

Chairman Verderame calls for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Commissioner Della Vecchia to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Nevelos. All in favor. Motion passes at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



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