



**ORANGE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICE
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS/TRAFFIC AUTHORITY**

COMMISSIONER ROY CUZZOCREO
COMMISSIONER CHRISTOPHER CARVETH

COMMISSIONER JOHN BARTON

COMMISSIONER MARIAN HURLEY
COMMISSIONER NYJAHWAHN WALKER

**TRAFFIC AUTHORITY
Monday November 8, 2021 – 4:30 p.m.**

Unapproved Minutes

Pledge of Allegiance

Commission Chairman Barton called the Traffic Authority Meeting to order at 4:42 p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Commissioner Jack Barton

Commissioner Nyjahwahn Walker (joined at 4:44 p.m.)

Commissioner Roy Cuzzocreo

Commissioner Marian Hurley

Commissioner Chris Carveth

Commissioners Absent:

Also Present:

Police Chief Robert Gagne

Assistant Chief Max Martins

Commission Secretary Kathy Gulia

Corey Chase, PE, Dynamic Traffic

Scott Milnamow, SVP of Real Estate Development, Raymour and Flanigan

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Minutes

Commissioner Cuzzocreo seconded by Commissioner Hurley, made the motion to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2021 Traffic Authority Meeting. **The motion passed 3-0 with Commissioner Carveth abstaining and Commissioner Walker absent.**

Old Business

Firelite Plaza: SLR Consulting is requesting an administrative decision to accept the Firelite Plaza renovation. Commissioner Carveth, seconded by Commissioner Hurley made a motion not to concur that there will be no impact to the State highway system due to concerns regarding traffic implications on Old Tavern Road, Route 1 and Route 114 and suggested a deferment of decision to the State Traffic Administration. **The motion passed unanimously.**

New Business

Orange Plaza, Raymour & Flanigan Expansion: Corey Chase and Scott Milnamow presented a plan for a small expansion in the rear of the existing building. There is a slight increase, less than 10/hour, of vehicle traffic at peak hours. No degradation of traffic level. The expansion is for a grocery store and they have met with Zoning

and other Departments in Orange. Commissioner Cuzzocreo, seconded by Commissioner Carveth made a motion to approve the expansion as presented. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Correspondence

None.

Commissioner Hurley seconded by Commissioner Cuzzocreo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:54 p.m. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Gulia, Board Secretary



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BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
Immediately following Traffic Authority Meeting
Monday November 8, 2021

Unapproved Minutes

Commission Chairman Barton called the meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners to order at 4:57 p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Commissioner Jack Barton
Commissioner Christopher Carveth
Commissioner Nyjahwahn Walker
Commissioner Roy Cuzzocreo
Commissioner Marian Hurley

Commissioners Absent:

Also Present:

Police Chief Robert Gagne
Assistant Chief Max Martins
Commission Secretary Kathy Gulia

Minutes

Commissioner Carveth, seconded by Commissioner Hurley made the motion to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2021 Board of Police Commissioners Meeting. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Reports

Activity of the Department- Assistant Chief Martins discussed October statistics with the Commissioners. The Board was informed that there were 49 criminal arrests and 118 motor vehicle citations. There was 1 residential burglary and 2 commercial burglaries, 2 stolen motor vehicles, and no recovered vehicles. In addition, there were 42 larcenies and 78 motor vehicle accidents. There were 4,000 calls for service that generated 533 written reports. Assistant Chief Martins provided updates on the burglaries.

Chief Gagne reported that the Records Division took in report sales of \$150.00, parking tags of \$100.00, and \$755.00 in permits for a total of \$1,005.00.

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Commissioner

Expenditures

Chief Gagne highlighted expenditures for October, stating the expenses this month are routine and mostly annual expenses. He did detail the EMR class for Officer Correia who is a lateral transfer from Massachusetts.

Budget Balances

Chief Gagne advised that all is in order, there are no concerns. Overtime is a bit higher than last year, but this year we have seen the reinstatement of the OVFD Carnival, fireworks, Country Fair, etc.

Old Business

DEA Take Back: We collected 232 pounds of prescription drugs on October 23rd at the High Plains Community Center. This event was the same day as the Trunk or Treat event.

New Business

2022-2023 Short Term Capital Plan: Chief Gagne presented the proposed short term capital request to the Board. The proposal will be sent to the Planning Committee later this week.

Distracted Driving Grant: Chief Gagne advised that we have been awarded a grant and participated in the program in October and will complete the final phase in April.

NIBRS Agency Crime Overview: Chief Gagne presented the 2020 report for the National Incident Based Reporting System.

Uniforms: The Board was informed that our traditional gray uniform shirt is no longer being made. There has been discussion with Blauer and other manufacturers and a black uniform shirt is being considered. The Department will be outfitting 4 officers to test the new uniform before the roll out for all in the fall of 2022.

Stuff-a-Cruiser: We will be hosting this event on December 3, 2021 from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. at the High Plains Community Center. All food and toy donations are welcome.

Coffee with a Cop: Starbucks, 538 Boston Post Road, will be hosting this meet and greet event on November 17, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Amity Security: Chief Gagne advised that after the recent potential threat at Amity High School, he met with Amity staff, the Woodbridge Police and an officer from Bethany to discuss what went right and wrong and to review procedures going forward. A letter with details was sent to parents last week and on November 9, 2021 there will be a webinar for parents to ask questions, etc.

Correspondence

Thank you email from David Powell thanking the Department and Officers Lane, Cafaro, and Yelenik for their assistance when his wife was ill.

Thank you email from Laura Carroll, Hope Academy thanking Officers Knepper and Repice for their assistance with an unresponsive student needing immediate medical attention.

Thank you email from Santo Galatioto thanking Officers Repice and Esposito for the assistance to all of the voters at the election polls.

Personnel

Training: Chief Gagne advised the Board that the recruits currently at the Academy are doing well and that we are currently conducting outdoor firearms training in Milford. In addition, Officer Correia is almost finished with the lateral transfer training required for Connecticut certification.

Personnel Issues (Executive Session)

Commissioner Cuzzocreo, seconded by Commissioner Walker made a motion to enter Executive Session at 5:54 p.m. **The motion passed unanimously.** The Board invited Chief Gagne and Assistant Chief Martins into Executive Session.

Commissioner Cuzzocreo, seconded by Commissioner Carveth made a motion to bring the Board out of Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Cuzzocreo, made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Gulia, Board Secretary