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**ORANGE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICE  
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

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COMMISSIONER ROY CUZZOCREO  
COMMISSIONER CHRISTOPHER CARVETH

COMMISSIONER JOHN BARTON

COMMISSIONER MARIAN HURLEY  
COMMISSIONER NYJAHWAHN WALKER

**BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
Immediately following Traffic Authority Meeting  
Monday February 14, 2022**

**Notice: In accordance with Governor Lamont's Executive Order 7B regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting will be held remotely with no in-person attendance. If you wish to attend this meeting remotely, you must pre-register with Board Secretary Kathy Gulia at [kgulia@orange-ct.gov](mailto:kgulia@orange-ct.gov) or 203-891-2136.**

**Unapproved Minutes**

Commission Chairman Barton called the meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners to order at 4:58 p.m.

**Commissioners Present:**

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

**Commissioners Absent:**

**Also Present:**

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

**Minutes**

Commissioner Hurley, seconded by Commissioner Walker made the motion to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2022 Board of Police Commissioners Meeting. **The motion passed unanimously.**

**Reports**

**Activity of the Department:** Assistant Chief Martins discussed January statistics with the Commissioners. The Board was informed that there were 27 criminal arrests and 91 motor vehicle citations. There was 1 residential burglary and 2 commercial burglaries, 2 stolen motor vehicles, and no recovered vehicles. In addition, there were 32 larcenies and 103 motor vehicle accidents. There were 3,829 calls for service that generated 478 written reports. Assistant Chief Martins provided updates on the burglaries.

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Chief Gagne reported that the Records Division took in report sales of \$185.00, parking tags of \$175.00, 360.00 in permits and \$10.00 in record checks, for a total of \$730.00.

### Expenditures

Chief Gagne highlighted some expenditures from January including VIRTRA, sex crime training for Officer Castelao, Grainger for new air filters, school threat training for Detectives Bailey and Knepper, and ammunition for the Union, which they reimbursed us for.

### Budget Balances

Chief Gagne advised that all is in order, there are no concerns, but he is keeping a close watch on overtime.

### Old Business

2022 – 2023 Proposed Budget: The budget was presented at the Budget Workshop, February 4, 2022. The Board was very supportive and the presentation went well.

COVID Protocols: We expect to be back to normal medical protocols soon.

IT Room Plans: The Finance Board had allotted us money to pay for the server room expansion, it appears it is going to be more expensive so meeting with the Building Department to develop cost effective ideas. Pending quotes.

### New Business

JAG Grant: This grant available again and we have been approved for \$25,000. It will be used to remodel and outfit with technology the Community/Training Room. In addition, it will be used to purchase additional camera docking stations.

Challenge Coins: Chief Gagne gave all of the Commissioners the new coin which was developed in conjunction with the Town's 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Chief Gagne explained the coin and its significance with the evolution of the patches, lion and quote.

Training: Procedural Justice, Cultural Awareness, De-escalation training as well as Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis training were taught via ZOOM. Detective Knepper did an excellent job as an instructor.

### Correspondence

Thank you letter from the Sandiovannis' thanking Officer Colon for his assistance locating a missing person.

Thank you letter from Charles Sherwood, SCCJA, thanking Lt. Kosh for his participation as a panelist for the oral boards in Ansonia for the position of Detective.

Thank you letter from Dennis Klemnz, Connex Credit Union thanking the Department for their service after their burglary. Included in this are: Det. Burke, Lt. Anderson, Sgt. Scott, Off. Martino, Off. Withington and Disp Welch.

### Personnel

Letter of resignation Sgt. Sean Murphy: Commissioner Hurley, seconded by Commissioner Walker made a motion to accept Sgt. Murphy's resignation effective February 1, 2022. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Letter of resignation Disp. William Porto: Commissioner Cuzzocreo, seconded by Commissioner Hurley made a motion to accept Disp Porto's resignation effective January 17, 2022. **The motion passed unanimously.**

### Personnel Issues (Executive Session)

Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Carveth made a motion to enter Executive Session at 5:22 p.m. **The motion passed unanimously.** The Board invited Chief Gagne and Assistant Chief Martins and Board Secretary Kathy Gulia into Executive Session.

Commissioner Cuzzocreo, seconded by Commissioner Hurley made a motion to bring the Board out of Executive Session at 5:31 p.m. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Commissioner Cuzzocreo, seconded by Commissioner Hurley, made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:33 p.m. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Gulia, Board Secretary