

Norwalk Board of Police Commissioners
Mayor Harry W. Rilling
Commissioner Charlie L. Yost
Commissioner Fran Collier-Clemmons

CITY OF NORWALK
POLICE COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES OF AUGUST 14, 2017

ATTENDANCE: Commissioner Charles Yost, Commissioner Fran Collier-Clemmons

STAFF: Police Chief Thomas Kulhawik; Deputy Chief Susan Zecca

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Yost called the meeting to order at 4:22 p. m. A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 27, 2017

- ** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 27, 2017.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED WITH ONE ABSTENTION (COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS).**

July 17, 2017

- ** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE JULY 17, 2017 MINUTES AS SUBMITTED.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

JULY OFFICERS OF THE MONTH

Lieutenant James Walsh, Officer Mark Suda, and Officer Richard Holmes

Chief Kulhawik stated that on July 22, 2017, Lieutenant James Walsh, Officer Mark Suda, and Officer Richard Holmes received information that a known criminal was selling drugs in various locations throughout the city including his residence on Freedman Drive. Timely and proactive investigation resulted in the arrest of this individual for narcotics sale and resulted in the seizure of cocaine laced with fentanyl. It is likely that more overdoses were prevented as a result of the arrest.

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OPERATIONS REPORT

Deputy Chief Zecca stated that an increase in manpower resulted in more Traveling Too Fast infractions. She stated that current staffing is at 178. One officer will be retiring soon. One detective will be deployed to active duty and we will be down one detective for the next year. There are currently four cadets in the Academy. She stated we expect to have a new officer coming from New Haven after the officer retires. She stated that we have two officers in community policing. She stated that the community policing is well received by the community.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Chief Kulhawik stated that an officer was trained in Bicycle Patrol. 140 officers were trained in Crowd Control. He stated that two officers completed Dare Classes.

PERSONNEL MATTERS

Retirement – Officer Ronald Spagnuolo

Chief Kulhawik stated that Officer Ronald Spagnuolo retired as of August 3, 2017.

DROP Request – Sergeant Peter Lapak

- ** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE REQUEST BY SERGEANT PETER LAPAK TO BEGIN PARTICIPATION IN THE DROP PLAN FOR 5 YEARS, BEGINNING ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2017 AND ENDING ON AUGUST 31, 2022 AT WHICH TIME HE WILL TERMINATE HIS SERVICE WITH THE NORWALK POLICE DEPARTMENT.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Course Approval – Deputy Chief Ashley Gonzalez, Sergeant David Orr

- ** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR COURSE APPROVAL BY DEPUTY CHIEF ASHELY GONZALEZ AS LISTED ON HIS APPLICATION DATED AUGUST 8, 2017.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- ** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR COURSE APPROVAL BY SERGEANT DAVID ORR AS LISTED ON HIS APPLICATION DATED JULY 31, 2017.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Tuition Reimbursement – Sergeant Jared Zwickler

- ** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR TUITION REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERGEANT JARED ZWICKLER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$826.25.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Oyster Festival – 2017 Fee Waiver

- ** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE OYSTER FESTIVAL REQUEST FOR THE 2017 FEE WAIVER.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

NEXT MEETING

Commissioner Yost stated that the next meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners will be held on September 18, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

- ** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO ADJOURN.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Blaney
Telesco Secretarial Services