

**CITY OF NORWALK
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 19, 2009**

ATTENDANCE: Daniel O'Connor, Chair; Mayor Richard A. Moccia, Peter Torrano

STAFF: Police Chief Harry Rilling, Deputy Chief Thomas Kulhawik

OTHERS: Lt. David Wrinn, Officers Bruce Lovallo, Hubert Smith, Shannon Sherry, Michael Cote, Michelle McSally, Corey Vento, Matthew Policastro, Louie Giannattasio and William Matsen

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman O'Connor called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (SEPTEMBER 22, 2009)

**** MAYOR MOCCIA MOVED THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2009.
** COMMISSIONER TORRANO SECONDED.**

A brief discussion followed about the correction of a motion made in the minutes for August 25th.

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2009
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

SEPTEMBER TRAINING REPORT

Chief Rilling presented the report regarding the number of classes that were held to the Commissioners.

RETIREMENT PENSION REQUEST

(Former Lt. Thomas Cummings)

**** COMMISSIONER TORRANO MOVED TO APPROVE THE
RETIREMENT PENSION REQUEST FOR FORMER LIUTENANT
THOMAS CUMMINGS.
** MAYOR MOCCIA SECONDED.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

FEES AND CHARGES

(Services Provided by NPD)

Chief Rilling explained that there had been a request that the Norwalk Police Department have their fees set at the same rate as the State of Connecticut. A brief discussion followed.

- ** **MAYOR MOCCIA MOVED TO TABLE THE FEES AND CHARGES SCHEDULE.**
- ** **COMMISSIONER TORRANO SECONDED.**
- ** **THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

SEPTEMBER OFFICER OF THE MONTH

(Sgt. James Boff)

Chief Rilling explained that Sergeant Boff was out on a call and not able to attend the meeting. He then reviewed the events that led up to the recent hostage situation on Lockwood Lane and how Sergeant Boff was able to bring it to a peaceful resolution. The Mayor mentioned that he had received a few phone calls of appreciation from neighbors thanking him for the way that the situation was handled.

AWARDS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR POLICE AWARDS

The following officers were cited for awards:

Officer Bruce Lovallo and Officer Hubert Smith – Distinguished Service Awards
Officer Shannon Sherry – Distinguished Service Award
Sergeant James Belmont, Officer Michael Cote, and Officer Michelle McSally –
Distinguished Service Awards
Sergeant Shawn Wong Won and Officer Corey Vento – Distinguished Service Awards
Officer Matthew Policastro and Officer George Daley – Medals of Merit
Officer Louie Giannattasio – Meritorious Commendation Certificate
Officer George Daley – Two Meritorious Commendation Certificate

The Commissioners then presented the officers with their awards and thanked them for their service to the City of Norwalk.

Mr. Eshraghi, the Traffic Engineer, joined the meeting at 4:17 p.m.

RECESS

Chairman O'Connor called a recess at 4:17 p.m. to allow the Commissioners to reconvene the Traffic Authority meeting. Chairman O'Connor reconvened the meeting of the Police Commission at 4:20 p.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF ASSET FORFEITURE FUNDS

- ** MAYOR MOCCIA MOVED TO APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE ASSET FORFEITURE FUNDS.**
- ** COMMISSIONER TORRANO SECONDED.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

SPECIAL ORDER NO. 2009-10 & 2009-11

(Death Notices)

Chief Rilling informed the Commissioners that retired Officer William E. Anderson passed away on October 5, 2009 and that Officer Carl Williams had lost his grandfather, Mr. Earl Jordon on October 1, 2009. The Commission then expressed their deep, sincere sympathy to the families of those men.

MOTOR VEHICLE DEPARTMENT – MOU

Lieutenant David Wrinn informed the Commission that the license plate reader program was going very well. He added that currently the program works off the Federal database, but there is an opportunity to have access to the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicle database.

- ** MAYOR MOCCIA MOVED TO APPROVE THE MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE NORWALK POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT MOTOR VEHICLE DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE USE OF THEIR DATABASE IN REGARDS TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT LICENSE PLATE SCANNER.**
- ** COMMISSIONER TORRANO SECONDED.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ADJOURNMENT

- ** MAYOR MOCCIA MOVED TO ADJOURN.**
- ** COMMISSIONER TORRANO SECONDED.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L. Soltes
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