

**CITY OF NORWALK  
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2009**

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

**STAFF:** Deputy Chief Thomas Kulhawik

**OTHERS:** Officer John Taranto, Officer Justin Bisceglie, Frank Favano

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commission O'Connor called the meeting to order at 4:28 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES (OCTOBER 19, 2009)**

- \*\* **COMMISSIONER TORRANO MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES  
OF OCTOBER 19, 2009.**
- \*\* **MAYOR MOCCIA SECONDED.**
- \*\* **THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**OCTOBER TRAINING REPORT**

Deputy Chief Kulhawik presented the October Training Report to the Commissioners.

**OCTOBER OFFICERS OF THE MONTH  
(Off. David Vetare, Off. John Taranto, Off. Justin Bisceglie)**

Deputy Chief Kulhawik reviewed the recent situation of a suicidal man in a boat where one of the officers leapt from the Police Boat to the runaway boat and took control. This averted an accident and saved a life.

Deputy Chief Kulhawik then reviewed a second event where Officer Off. Justin Bisceglie was on patrol near Washington Village and responded to a call regarding a suspicious person in the parking lot of Washington Village. The suspect was a convicted felon who was not a resident of Washington Village and after cuffing the suspect, a loaded gun and other weapons were discovered in the car.

Deputy Chief Kulhawik congratulated the officers and the Commissioners presented them with certificates for their outstanding work.

**FEES & CHARGES  
(Services provided by NPD)**

Mr. Frank Favano came forward and reviewed the fee schedule with the Commissioners. He recommended that the Commissioners increase the Criminal background check to \$50.00.

- \*\* MAYOR MOCCIA MOVED TO APPROVE THE FEE INCREASE FOR CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FROM \$25.00 TO \$50.00.**
- \*\* COMMISSION TORRANO SECONDED.**
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**TUITION REIMBURSEMENT**

**(Off. Bertha Stuckley)**

- \*\* COMMISSIONER TORRANO MOVED TO APPROVE A REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE SUM OF \$837.50 TO OFFICER BERTHA STUCKLEY FOR A COURSE IN CULTURAL DIVERSITY IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE TAKEN AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX TOWARDS A BACHELOR'S DEGREE.**
- \*\* MAYOR MOCCIA SECONDED.**
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**APPLICATION FOR COURSE APPROVAL**

**(Off. Bertha Stuckley)**

Deputy Chief Kulhawik explained that Officer Stuckley had been hired after October 1983 and therefore needed the approval of the Commissioners before enrolling in a course.

- \*\* COMMISSIONER TORRANO MOVED TO APPROVE THE REQUEST BY OFFICER BERTHA STUCKLEY TO ENROLL IN THE FOLLOWING COURSES: CULTURAL DIVERSITY IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND RESEARCH METHODS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE.**
- \*\* MAYOR MOCCIA SECONDED.**
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**SPECIAL ORDER NO. 09-14**

**(Death Notice)**

The Commissioners expressed their regrets regarding a retired Norwalk Officer who recently passed away.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- \*\* MAYOR MOCCIA MOVED TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS.**

- \*\* COMMISSIONER TORRANO SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Commissioner and Deputy Chief Kulhawik entered into Executive Session at 4:40 p.m. The Commission returned to public session at 5:00 p.m.

- \*\* MAYOR MOCCIA MOVED TO EXTEND DEPUTY CHIEF THOMAS KULHAWIK'S CONTRACT 3 YEARS AND THAT THE CONTRACT REFLECTS A RETROACTIVE PAY RAISE BACK TO JULY 1ST IN LINE WITH THE AGREEMENT AND THE POLICE UNION SETTLEMENT.
- \* COMMISSIONER TORRANO SECONDED THE MOTION.
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 5:01 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

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