

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

CITY OF NORWALK
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 25, 2018

ATTENDANCE: Mayor Harry Riling; Commissioner Fran Collier-Clemmons,
Commissioner Charles Yost

STAFF: Police Chief Thomas Kulhawik, Deputy Chief Susan Zecca,
Deputy Chief James Walsh

OTHERS: Officer Raul Aldarondo, Officer Akeem Bryce, Officer Courtney
Yenkelun

CALL TO ORDER.

Mayor Rilling called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m. A quorum was present.

APPROVE OF THE MINUTES.

July 16, 2018

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED THE MINUTES OF JULY 16,
2018.**

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JULY 16, 2018 AS SUBMITTED
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

PUBLIC COMMENT.

There was no one present who wished to comment at this time.

JULY OFFICERS OF THE MONTH

Akeem Bryce, Raul Aldarondo, Courtney Yenkelun

Chief Kulhawik gave a brief outline of the incident on Lexington Avenue involving a stabbing victim who required immediate first aid. Mayor Rilling thanked the officers. Commissioners Collier-Clemmons and Yost also expressed their appreciation.

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AUGUST OFFICERS OF THE MONTH Adam Mulkern, Christopher Sgritta

Chief Kulhawik gave a brief outline of the incident at the Maritime Garage involving an emotionally disturbed individual armed with a knife. Mayor Rilling thanked the officers. Commissioners Collier-Clemmons and Yost also expressed their appreciation.

OPERATIONS Deputy Chief James Walsh

Operations Report --

Patrol Staffing --

Selective Enforcements --

Deputy Chief Walsh presented his July and August reports including a brief overview on Narcan cases.

The State finished their re-paving of the intersection of Route 1 and France Street, which means the "Don't Block the Box" striping will have to be redone.

Chief Kulhawik reported that he had looked into the possibilities of charging drivers who have a dog on their laps while operating the vehicle. It in itself is not a violation, so the officers would need another reason to pull the driver over.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT Deputy Chief Susan Zecca

June Training Report

Deputy Chief Zecca presented her report on training.

Police Reserve

Chief Kulhawik said that Lieutenant O'Connor and Officer Anderson were researching unclaimed funds. Discussion followed.

PERSONNEL MATTERS

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Retroactive Pay Increase –

Chief Kulhawik explained that Deputy Chief Walsh was not here when union increased the raises. The Union wants the motion to be recorded in the minutes.

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE RETROACTIVE PAY INCREASE OF 1.25% AS OF JULY ST, 2018 FOR DEPUTY CHIEF WALSH AS OUTLINED IN THE POLICE UNION CONTRACT.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

DROP Request – Detective William Maloney.

The Commissioners reviewed the application for Detective William Maloney

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP REQUEST FOR DETECTIVE WILLIAM MALONEY.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

DROP Request – Lieutenant William Lowe

The Commissioners reviewed the application for Lieutenant William Lowe.

**** COMMISSIONER YOST MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP REQUEST FOR LIEUTENANT WILLIAM LOWE.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Degree Stipend (Masters of Business Administration) – Officer Georgia Nyquist

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE MASTERS OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION STIPEND FOR OFFICER GEORGIA NYQUIST.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Tuition Reimbursement – Sergeant David Orr

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE TUITION REIMBURSEMENT OF \$1,350 FOR SERGEANT DAVID ORR FOR A COURSE IN DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM AT SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Tuition Reimbursement – Officer Edgar Gonzalez

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE TUITION REIMBURSEMENT OF \$2,700 FOR OFFICER EDGAR GONZALEZ FOR A COURSE IN CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR AND THE FAMILY AND A COURSE IN DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM AT SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Chief Kulhawik requested the Commissioners consider amending the agenda to include a course approval request from Officer Gonzalez, which Chief Kulhawik had just received.

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO INCLUDE A COURSE APPROVAL REQUEST FROM OFFICER GONZALEZ.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**** COMMISSIONER YOST MOVED TO APPROVE THE MASTERS OF ART DEGREE STIPEND FOR OFFICER STEPHANIE HOWARD.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE COURSE REQUEST FROM OFFICER E. GONZALEZ FOR:**

**CRIMINAL CAUSATION AND DEVIANCE
CRIMINAL LAW AND PROCEDURE**

**TOWARDS A MASTERS DEGREE AT SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**COURSE APPROVAL
(Deputy Chief James Walsh)**

The Commissioners review the request from Deputy Chief Walsh for a course approval.

**** COMMISSIONER YOST MOVED TO APPROVE THE COURSE REQUEST FROM DEPUTY CHIEF WALSH FOR PRINCIPLE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION TOWARDS A MASTERS OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAVEN.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**COURSE APPROVAL
(Lieutenant Terrence Blake)**

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The Commissioners review the request from Lieutenant Blake for a course approval.

**** COMMISSION YOST MOVED TO APPROVE THE COURSE REQUEST FROM LIEUTENANT BLAKE FOR POLICE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE COURSE TOWARDS A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE AT SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

INFORMATIONAL

**Officer Jose Silva – Life Saving CPR & AED
Sergeant Peter Lapak, Officer Michael Silva – Life Saving Boat Rescue
Officer Steven Luciano, Officer David Busch – Life Saving Narcan**

Chief Kulhawik gave a brief overview of actions of the above named officers during the performance of their job.

He also mentioned that Officer Wasilewski had build two portable corrals for the traffic cones, signs and barricades that are stored in the bike garage.

COMPLIMENTARY LETTERS.

Chief Kulhawik gave a brief overview of nine recent complimentary letters the department has received:

September 9, 2018 – from Mr. Medard, regarding police courtesy
August 29, 2018 – from Ms. Joyal, assistance with severely injured pet
August 28, 2018 – Mr. Jacabacci, thank you for K-9 visit.
August 28, 2018 – Mr. Andreski, correction of information on police report
August 1 2018 – Mr. Montiglio, boating injury.
July 30, 2018 -- Mr. Igneri, child injury, posted first aid signs at Bayley Beach
July 27, 2018 – Ms. Cruz, outreach event at Kohl's
July 29, 2018 – Mr. Boe, life saving CPR resuscitation
July 18, 2018 – Ms. Hitchcock, Kendall School outreach.

ADJOURNMENT.

**** COMMISSIONER YOST MOVED TO ADJOURN.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. L. Soltes

Telesco Secretarial Services