

Norwalk Board of Police Commissioners

Mayor Harry W. Rilling
Commissioner Charlie L. Yost
Commissioner Fran Collier-Clemmons

CITY OF NORWALK BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING APRIL 15, 2019

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

STAFF: Deputy Chief Susan Zecca; John Schlosser, Personnel Administrator

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Collier-Clemmons called the meeting to order at 4:40PM. A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MARCH 18, 2019

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

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RECOGNITION-FEBRUARY OFFICERS OF THE MONTH

(Officer Mark Suda and Officer Anthony Del Pino)

Deputy Chief Zecca said that on March 29, 2019 the officers had received information that a known felon was actively selling narcotics in the area and had proactively made contact with subject. While investigating a struggle ensued and they had found that he had a loaded handgun and were able to subdue him and recover the weapon. The suspect was also found to be on both Federal and State parole and is a three time convicted felon with an extensive criminal history. She said this was phenomenal proactive police work and they have taken a dangerous criminal off of the street and potentially saved lives. Mayor Rilling and the Commissioners congratulated Officer Suda and Officer Del Pino and said that they appreciate all the Officers do and that it is challenging to be on the street and face unknown circumstances, but it also illustrates the good when members of the public provide information to our police officers and work as a team, and we all have a vested interest in making our community as safe as it can possibly be and law enforcement in the City of Norwalk and elsewhere does have the trust of the community.

The Officers came forward and were offered congratulations by the Board. Pictures were taken and the Officers received certificates.

OPERATIONS REPORT

Patrol Staffing

Deputy Chief Zecca reported and said that for the month of March the staffing remains with one vacancy in patrol.

Selective Enforcement Report

Deputy Chief Zecca reported on the significant incidences for March and said that there was one non-fatal overdose and that there were six motor vehicle burglaries. Mayor Rilling said the noise from the motorcycles becomes quite offensive and it is illegal not to have the proper baffling equipment installed in the mufflers. Deputy Chief Zecca said that she will make the traffic unit aware of the issue.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Training (March)

Deputy Chief Zecca reported and said that there was review credit training and specialty teams training held and will be making an effort to schedule leadership training.

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PERSONNEL MATTERS

Tuition Reimbursement- Deputy Chief Walsh

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE TUITION REIMBURSEMENT FOR DEPUTY CHIEF WALSH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,372.50**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Request for course approval – Sergeant Sofia Gulino

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE COURSE APPROVAL FOR SERGEANT SOFIA GULINO**

Pension- Officer Phillip Roselle

Mr. Schlosser said that the request is for a regular pension for Officer Phillip Roselle in the amount of \$5,097.20 per month. Mayor Rilling asked when it will be effective. Mr. Schlosser said it will be retroactive to April 1, 2019. Mayor Rilling wished Officer Roselle and his family well.

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE PENSION FOR OFFICER PHILLIP ROSELLE AS PRESENTED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

IA Analysis

Deputy Chief Zecca said that the IA analysis used to be done by the Internal Affairs Lieutenant and now includes all the complaints and the Chief is now doing an analysis to incorporate all civilian complaints. Mayor Rilling said that the analysis represents a favorable view of the police department and the complaints are a relatively small number. Commissioner Collier-Clemmons said that she was speaking informally to a citizen who was speaking up in behalf of the police department and the work that they are doing and how good they are.

Complimentary Letters

Deputy Chief Zecca said that a letter was received from Soundview Medical Center thanking Officer Kassimis and Officer White.

Deputy Chief Zecca said that a letter was received from Josh Glasser who is the owner of Ink-Side Out Tattoo thanking Officer Daniel Vazquez.

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Deputy Chief Zecca said that a letter was received from Mr. Scott Hurwitz who is the Principal of Brien McMahon High School thanking Lieutenant Zwickler, Officer Taborda and Officer Garbera for their assistance.

Deputy Chief Zecca said that an email was received from Grace Farms thanking Sergeant Gulino for the exceptional job that she had done on the RAD class.

ADJOURNMENT

**** COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dilene Byrd