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Board of Police Commission Regular Meeting June 28, 2011

Chairman D'Errico called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Present: Chairman D'Errico, Commissioners McLoughlin, Monz, and Lazaroff, Chief McLoughlin, Deputy Chief Mulhern, Ann DeMatteo from the New Haven Register, Noah Golden from the North Haven Patch, and Kevin Fletcher from NHTV.

Absent: Commissioner Calafiore.

Chairman D'Errico welcomed Ann DeMatteo and Noah Golden to the meeting.

The first order of business was the approval of the minutes for the May 24, 2011 regular meeting. A motion to accept was made by Commissioner Monz, second by Commissioner McLoughlin. The motion passed unanimously. Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to accept the executive session minutes. The motion was made by Commissioner McLoughlin, second by Commissioner Monz. The motion passed unanimously.

The next order of business was the approval of the monthly reports for May. A motion to accept was made by Commissioner Lazaroff, second by Commissioner Monz. The motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. A resident complimented Officer James Brennan and Officer Christopher Thorpe for their professional manner and temperament during storm related traffic issues.
2. A member of the Fire Police thanked Officer Paul Cormier for the great job he did directing traffic and giving directions at the Memorial Day Parade. He is a credit to the department.
3. A resident thanked Officer Wade Miller for the great comfort he gave to her during a medical situation with her husband.
4. The Security Manager of First Niagara Bank thanked Detectives Mark Guidone and John Wilcox for their work during a complex counterfeit check investigation.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chief McLoughlin reported that the budget for fiscal year 2010-2011 will be between 2.75% and 2.8% under budget.

K-9 Zeus recently made two good drug finds with Officer Brennan.

Officer Wade Miller and Officer Frank Castiglione were recently honored at a MADD Ceremony.

The Chairman discussed the possibility of naming the newly renovated classroom in honor of former BOPC Chairman Paul D. Abercrombie.

Chairman D'Errico thanked Deputy Chief Mulhern for all of the time he spent on the new Table of Organization. He complimented Chief and Deputy Chief for implementing the changes.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Walter T. Berniere Scholarship Award – Chief McLoughlin asked for a motion to approve a scholarship award for Officer Hannon for two courses he completed at POST University. A motion to approve the award was made by Commissioner McLoughlin, second by Commissioner Lazaroff. The motion passed unanimously.

A resident requested “Slow Children” signs on Greenhill Road. Chief recommended and asked for a motion to post one “Slow Children” sign on Greenhill Road. A motion was made by Commissioner Monz to post the sign, second by Commissioner McLoughlin. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief attended a meeting on June 15, 2011 with SCCROG and residents of Spring Road and Laydon Avenue who expressed their traffic concerns relative to the on-going traffic study. SCCROG is currently studying the traffic volumes and speed of vehicles on Spring Road. The next meeting is scheduled for September.

The Police Union Contract expired on June 30, 2011. Negotiations will begin soon.

A Public Safety Day with the Fire Department will be held on July 9, 2011 from 10:00am-2:00pm. It will be held behind police headquarters.

Twenty-three applicants for the position of patrol officer were interviewed by the department. Five applicants will be interviewed by the Commission this evening.

The proposed change in the Table of Organization will increase operational efficiencies. It will give the Lieutenant's more of a command position. Lieutenants will be more interchangeable with the captains and the change will elevate the stature of the lieutenant to mid level management where it belongs. This change in the Table of Organization will also help develop leadership and it will benefit the Police Department in the long run.

The creation of a Professional Standards and Accreditation Division will increase professionalism and decrease liability. It will also assist us in obtaining state accreditation through P.O.S.T.C.

Chief reported the department has a seat at the police academy for the August 12th class and a 90% chance of a second seat.

Deputy Chief Mulhern reported that Sergeant DePascale has been POST certified as a police instructor in family violence and Officer Cantele has been POST certified as a police instructor in patrol tactics. Deputy Chief Mulhern reported that it was a tough class and the officers worked hard and did well.

The Commission commended Chief McLoughlin and Deputy Chief Mulhern on the fine job they did on the Table of Organization.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to adjourn and move into executive session to discuss personnel issues. The motion was made by Commissioner McLoughlin, second by Commissioner Lazaroff. The motion passed unanimously. The time was 7:35pm.

At 9:04pm the commission returned to regular session for the purpose of voting.

Commissioner Lazaroff made the motion to make a conditional offer of employment to James Fasanella and Nicholas Costanzo, in that order, with the condition that they successfully pass an entry-level medical examination, a substance abuse screening examination, a polygraph examination, a psychological examination, an in depth background investigation, and the Cooper Standards as prescribed by P.O.S.T.C. The motion was second by Commissioner Monz. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lazaroff also made a motion that Andrew Wasilewski be an alternate selection with the same conditional offer in the event that Fasanella or Costanzo fail to meet their set conditions. The motion was second by Monz. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner McLoughlin made the motion, second by Commissioner Lazaroff. The motion passed unanimously. The time was 9:10p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Lazaroff, Secretary

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Board of Police Commission
Executive Session
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Chairman D'Errico called the meeting to order at 7:45pm.

Present: Chairman D'Errico, Commissioners McLoughlin, Monz, and Lazaroff, Chief McLoughlin and Deputy Chief Mulhern.

Absent: Commissioner Calafiore.

The commission discussed personnel matters and interviewed five candidates for the position of patrolman.

Chairman D'Errico asked for a motion to adjourn and move back to regular session for the purpose of voting. Commissioner McLoughlin made the motion, second by Commissioner Lazaroff. Motion passed unanimously. The time was 9:04pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas McLoughlin, Chief of Police