

CITY OF WEST HAVEN, CT
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
Minutes of the special meeting held Thursday, March 28, 2019

The special meeting of the West Haven Board of Police Commissioners was called to order at 6 p.m. by Chairman, Raymond Collins, III at Police Headquarters, 200 Saw Mill Road. All those present rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

Raymond Collins, III, Chairman	present
Paul E. Butler, Vice-Chairman	present
Keith Sweeney	present
Peter BonTempo, Secretary	present
Deborah B. Wright, Pension Board	present
John Karajanis, Chief of Police	absent
Joseph Perno, Deputy Chief of Police	present
Lee Tiernan, Corporation Counsel	present

Commissioner Sweeney MOVED to accept the agenda as presented; SECONDED by Commissioner Butler. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

1. PUBLIC SESSION

1.1 Closure of Streets – Haven Project

After reviewing the diagram, Commissioner Sweeney MOVED to approve the plan for the closure of streets for the Haven Project; SECONDED by Commissioner Butler.

Deputy Chief Perno informed the Commissioners that the Fire Department will be conducting training there tomorrow. They will be closing Water Street at Elm Street and Main Street at First Avenue, allowing egress to Bayview.

Corporation Counsel Tiernan will be coordinating with Deputy Chief Perno on a date to close the streets permanently.

Commissioner Sweeney asked if the emergency services will be able to train there on future dates. Corporation Counsel Tiernan explained that they're receptive to allowing more non-invasive trainings. It will be available to us until they begin demolition.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

1.2 Vehicle Policy

Commissioner Sweeney MOVED to discuss the proposed Vehicle Policy; SECONDED by Commissioner Butler.

Commissioner Sweeney noted that there are things in this proposed policy that need more consideration, and he would like a few days to look it over.

In discussion, the Commissioners noted that the policy doesn't mention the Chiefs, nor does it explain what happens if someone is out on the long term for illness, workers comp, injury, etc. Additionally, "long term" needs to be defined, whether it be 5 days, 7 days, a month, 3 months, a year. They want to ensure that the vehicle is available if needed, and want to ensure that the City isn't liable for anything that may occur with the City car when someone is out on extended leave.

Commissioner Sweeney MOVED to TABLE; SECONDED by Commissioner Butler. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 6:15 p.m., Commissioner Sweeney MOVED to enter Executive Session to discuss the following items:

- 2.1 Interview of Lateral Applicant
- 2.2 Interview of New Hires
- 2.3 Interview of ISU Candidates

SECONDED by Commissioner Butler. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Sergeant Kleinknecht, Captain Fleming and Deputy Chief Perno joined the Commissioners in the Executive Session.

At approximately 8:20 p.m., the Commission returned to Regular Session.

3. ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

3.1 Action on Lateral Applicant and 3.2 Action on New Hires

Commissioner Sweeney MOVED to hire the following as Probationary Grade D Officers:

David Rivera
Mark F. Lanoue, III
Adam P. Jaworski

with a start date of Friday, April 5, 2019; SECONDED by Commissioner Wright. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

3.2 Action on ISU Candidates

Commissioner Bon Tempo MOVED to promote Officer Jason Gregoriades to the rank of Detective, with a start date of Friday, April 5, 2019; SECONDED by Commissioner Wright. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

At approximately 8:30 p.m., Commissioner Butler MOVED to adjourn; SECONDED by Commissioner Bon Tempo. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. Bruder", written in a cursive style.

Patricia M. Bruder
Secretary