

City of West Haven, CT
Board of Police Commissioners
Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday, May 2nd, 2023

The regular meeting of the West Haven Board of Police Commissioners was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Chairman Raymond Collins III at West Haven Police Headquarters, 200 Sawmill Road. All those present, rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance

Raymond Collins III, <i>Chairman</i>	Present
Paul E. Butler, <i>Vice-Chairman</i>	Present
John M. Carrano, <i>Commissioner</i>	Present
Christopher Suggs, <i>Commissioner</i>	Present
Deborah B. Wright, <i>Pension Board Chair and Commissioner</i>	Present
Joseph Perno, <i>Chief of Police</i>	Present
Carl Flemmig, <i>Deputy Chief</i>	Present

Agenda

Chief Perno MOVED to add Item 11.2 under Executive Session regarding Personnel; SECONDED by Commissioner Wright. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Butler MOVED to add Item 8.2 under New Business regarding the beach parking expansion and monetization; SECONDED by Commissioner Carrano. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Butler MOVED to accept the agenda as amended; SECONDED by Commissioner Suggs. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Minutes

Commissioner Butler MOVED to accept the previous minutes from the meeting on April 18th, 2023; SECONDED by Commissioner Wright. Motion carried; Commissioner Carrano abstained.

2. Public Input

Chairman Collins asked three times if any person from the public wished to speak. There being none, he declared the public portion closed.

3. Communications - None

4. Report of the Chief

Chief Perno extended an invite to the board to attend a monument-engraving ceremony for the Bristol Police Sgt. Dustin DeMonte and Officer Alex Hamzy who were shot and killed in the line of duty on October 12, 2022. Ceremony to be held May 25, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at the Policy Academy in Meriden.

Chief Perno announced tentative date for canine graduation to be May 19th, 2023, time and venue to be announced.

5. Report of the Deputy Chief

Deputy Chief Flemmig stated that there are currently 111 officers staffed; with injuries, there are 95 officers available to us and 1 returning from canine school to make 96 available on May 19th, 2023.

Chairman Collins asked for a report of officers who requested time off in the last two weeks; Deputy Chief Flemmig agreed.

6. Report of the Committees - None

7. Old Business - None

8. New Business

8.1 Saint Lawrence Walk-a-thon- Friday, May 5, 2023 (Rain date 5/11/23).

Commissioner Butler MOVED to accept; SECONDED by Commissioner Suggs. Motion carried unanimously.

8.2 Heart walk- Sat. May 6, 2023. American Heart Association.

Commissioner Butler MOVED to accept; SECONDED by Commissioner Suggs. Motion carried unanimously.

8.3 Great Strides 5k Walk- Sunday, May 7, 2023 - CF Foundation CT Chapter.

Commissioner Butler MOVED to accept; SECONDED by Commissioner Suggs. Motion carried unanimously.

8.4 Beach Parking Monetization

Procurement Director, Rick Spreyer, gave an update on the beach parking expansion and monetization plans; explained that there are 11 beach lots starting at Oyster River and ending at Sandy Point beach that will now be fully monetized by the implementation of plate readers which will automatically scan car license plates and issue violations to non-residents who do not follow payment instructions depicted on parking lot signage. These automatic plate scanners will be installed and running by July 4th, 2023. Until then, Procurement Director Rick Spreyer is

requesting support from the Board of Police Commissioners on the implementation of company Premium Parking to physically scan license plates and issue violations to non-residents who do not follow payment instructions. Premium Parking will have a manager on the ground in West Haven and fully uniformed enforcement agents on staff to operate the license plate readers. If patrons wish to dispute a violation, they can continue to follow protocol and raise their issue to the board.

Chairman Collins raised motion to partner with Premium Parking; Commissioner Butler MOVED to accept; SECONDED by Commissioner Wright.

9. Pension Board - None

10. Commissioners Report - None

11. Executive Session

Commissioner Butler MOVED to enter Executive Session to discuss the following:

- 11.1 Street Crime Report - March, 2023
- 11.2 Personnel

The motion was SECONDED by Commissioner Suggs. Motion carried unanimously.

The Commissioners entered Executive Session at 7:25 p.m.

12. Return to Regular Session/Adjournment

At 8:20 p.m., the Commissioners returned to regular session and adjourned by a motion by Commissioner Butler; SECONDED by Commissioner Suggs. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Collins
Recording Clerk