



# SEYMOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT

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MINUTES-SPECIAL MEETING  
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2020 6:00 P.M.  
ZOOM -teleconference

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DATE: 5/18/20  
TIME: 10:10 am  
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**Members present:** Robert Koskelowski, David Bitso, John Duke, Thomas Bennett and Kyle Kelley. Also in attendance: Chief Satkowski, Deputy Chief Rinald, Town Attorney LeClerc, Union Attorney Bento, Attorney Ben Proto, Union President Officer Oczkowski, Inspector DeNigris, Det. Matusovich, Det. Ditria and Retired Deputy Chief Prajer.

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Koskelowski
2. Pledge of allegiance: was led by Chairman Koskelowski

**Attorney LeClerc-**If we were all in the same room, we would know who was there, that's not readily evident in a video conference so I think we should administer some type of oath that everyone is not in ear shot or viewing of what is happening and they are truly sequestered.

**Commissioner Bisto-**I agree 100 percent as I have expressed concerns to the Chairman.

**Attorney Proto-**Is it practice of the Commission that during these hearings to administer an oath to the witnesses? Also what is the method for sequestering those people who are to be out of the room during questioning? Once those people are in the waiting room-they will not see or hear the proceedings?

**Chairman Koskelowski-**Yes it is practice to administer an oath to witnesses.

**Commissioner Kelley-**Once we go into executive session, I will move Det. Matusovich, Det. Ditria, Deputy Chief Rinaldi, Retired Deputy Chief Prajer to the waiting room which will remove them from this video and they will stay there available and when Chief Satkowski is done that will allow the next witness to enter in. We are requiring anyone on this video call is alone, not recording and visual at all times when questioned. Once in the waiting room you will see nothing or hear anything-you will be brought back into the meeting upon my discretion as I am hosting this meeting.

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**Attorney Bento-**I understand the virtual waiting and I am appreciative of that-if people are kicked out virtually of the room, we would have no knowledge if people are in the room-we need something to say that everyone acknowledges if they are outside of the testimony they are truly outside of the testimony.

**Attorney Proto-**On the recorded portion of this meeting, we need everyone to say they are alone, that no one will be joining them and if someone does join them they will report immediately and whatever is occurring will cease until that person leaves the room-that will include spouses and children.

**Chairman Koskelowski-** I am by myself

**Commissioner Kelley-** I am by myself

**Attorney LeClerc-** I am by myself

**Chief Satkowski-** I am by myself

**Deputy Chief Rinaldi-** I am by myself

**Attorney Bento-** I am by myself

**Inspector DeNigris-** I am by myself

**Union President Officer Oczkowski-** I am by myself

**Commissioner Duke-** I am by myself

**Attorney Proto-** I am by myself

**Det. Ditria-** I am by myself.

**Commissioner Bennett-** The layout of my home requires others to pass by me but I am wearing ear plugs and the camera is faced outside-no one can hear what is being said or see anything.

**Commissioner Bitso-** I am by myself

**Det. Matusovich-** I am by myself

**Retired Deputy Chief Prajer** was not needed at this meeting so he signed out of the video call

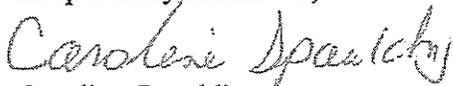
**Attorney LeClerc-**is the waiting room recorded?

**Commissioner Kelley-**Once the recording is stopped-nothing is recorded.

3. **Executive Session:** Kyle Kelley/John Duke motion to go into executive session at 6:22 p.m. to discuss and review Internal Affairs investigation on Inspector DeNigris. In attendance: The Board, Town Attorney LeClerc, Union Attorney Bento, Union President Officer Oczkowski, Inspector DeNigris, Attorney Proto and witness Chief Satkowski. **Motion: 5:0**

4. David Bitso/Thomas Bennett motion to come out of executive session at 10:14 p.m.  
No votes or motions taken. **Motion: 5:0**
  
5. **Recess:** Kyle Kelley/David Bitso motion to recess the meeting until Thursday,  
May 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. **Motion: 5:0**

Respectfully submitted,



Caroline Spaulding  
Recording Secretary