

Derby Police Commission

Derby, Connecticut 06418

A meeting of the Derby Board of Police Commissioners was held on August 14, 2017 at City Hall, 1 Elizabeth Street, Derby.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Commissioner DeGennaro.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

Present were Commissioners DeGennaro and Mastrianni. Also present was Chief Narowski and Deputy Chief Todd.

3. Public Portion

Fire Commissioner Michael Kelleher was present and spoke regarding the Boot Drive requests that were submitted for approval.

4. Adoption of Agenda

Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to adopt the agenda, Commissioner Mastrianni seconded and the motion carried.

5. Acceptance of Previous Meeting's Minutes

Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to accept the change in the 10 JUL 17 meeting minutes with Item 7 from \$238,500 to \$38,500 as corrected and Commissioner Mastrianni seconded. The motion carried without further discussion.

6. Old Business

Chief Narowski briefed on the updated RFP's for the UPS system. There were about eight vendors that came to the building to take a look at the system and had estimates that ranged from \$10,000-\$500,000.

7. New Business

No new business was discussed.

8. Department Reports

Chief Narowski updated the commissioners on the department's patrol activity and investigations. There have not been any significant changes from year to year or month to month except the recent homicide that occurred this year which the department is actively working on now. The City has not had one in several years. He also reviewed the status of the budget. The state does not have a budget set yet so all department heads were told to only use essential spending on things such as contractual obligations, labor relations, etc. Currently, we have

paused on any capital expenses so we are not purchasing anything we do not need to operate such as vehicles purchases, etc. As far as our budget we are in good standing.

9. Communications

- The department received a hand written note praising the Mayor's office and the City of Derby for the way that traffic control and crowd control was handled during the 4th of July fireworks event.
- The second correspondence that was received was from the Chief of Police of Ansonia thanking us, specifically Officer Foley for his assistance in apprehending a felony shooting suspect. There was a pursuit that ended without incident and he successfully took that person into custody which was very good police work on his part.

10. Traffic Authority Business

1. The Board reviewed four LTA reports from SGT Boulton:

- a. Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to approve the Hotchkiss Hose Co. Boot Drive being held at the intersection of David Humphreys Rd & Sunset on Sept 2, 2017 and June 30, 2018 from 9a-4p. Commissioner Mastrianni seconded and the motion carried.
- b. Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to approve the Storms Boot Drive being held at the intersection of Olivia Street & Main Street on December 17, 2017 and May 12, 2018 from 9a-4p. Commissioner Mastrianni seconded and the motion carried.
- c. Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to approve the East End Boot Drive being held at the intersection of Marshall & Sodom for the dates of October 14, 2017 (rain date Oct 21st) and April 14, 2018 (rain date Apr 21st) from 9a-4p. Commissioner Mastrianni seconded and the motion carried.
- d. Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to approve the Paugassett Boot Drive being held at Route 34 between the bridge and Gilbert Street on November 25, 2017 and May 26, 2018 from 9a-5p. Commissioner Mastrianni seconded and the motion carried.

2. The Board reviewed four LTA issues:

- a. Deputy Chief Todd briefed on correspondence the department received from Alderwoman DeGennaro concerning what she perceived as a potential parking issue on Paugassett Road, specifically one side of Paugassett Road near its intersection with Academy Hill Road that is posted "No Parking". She believed that the parking that was occurring on the opposite side was a hindrance to the free flow of traffic and she requested that we investigate and add additional "No Parking" signs on the other side of Paugassett Road. SGT Boulton went to evaluate the situation and found there have been six (6) accidents on this road, none of which were a direct result of this complaint. Considering this limited history, this issue may best be addressed with enforcement rather than posting the area of no parking. He recommends no further action be taken in this matter other than to respond to complaints as needed and evaluate enforcement action at that time. Commissioner Mastrianni motioned to accept SGT Boulton's recommendation of enforcement rather than posting the area of additional "No Parking" signs. Commissioner DeGennaro seconded and the motion carried.

- b. Deputy Chief Todd also briefed on a report that was received from the State Department of Transportation regarding the intersection of Bank Street and Derby Avenue and the three way stop sign that was created years ago in that location. The State is asking the LTA to either concur or not concur if they want these signs removed. If the signs do stay up then the City of Derby must repair the flashing light that has been broken for years which could range in cost of about

\$5-\$15,000. After the discussion regarding the State's draft report on the stop signs on Derby Avenue, Commissioner DeGennaro make a motion to table for further investigation and review. Commissioner Mastrianni seconded and the motion carried.

c. Sixth Street Garage Sign issue – There are preexisting signs that are faded it is not something the commission needs to act on. The Department will replace the faded signage and enforce them.

d. "Touch A Truck" Event being held at Fifth and Minerva on August 20th from 12p-3:30p. Commissioner Mastrianni motioned to approve to close Fifth Street from the intersection of Elizabeth Street to Minerva Street not including the intersections on August 20th, from noon to 3:30p so kids can touch a truck and the Fire Police will provide security on said street. Commissioner DeGennero seconded and the motion carried.

11. Executive Session

Commissioner DeGennaro motioned to enter into executive session and invite Chief Narowski and Deputy Chief Todd. Commissioner Mastrianni seconded and the motion carried at 6:37PM.

The meeting reopened to the public at 6:52PM.

12. Adjournment

Commissioner Mastrianni motioned to adjourn at 6:52PM. Commissioner DeGennero seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Chueka

These minutes are subject to the Board's approval at their next scheduled meeting.